



Housing Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 52

PART VII

HOMELESSNESS^[F1]: ENGLAND]

Duties to persons found to be homeless or threatened with homelessness

[F1]195A Re-application after private rented sector offer

- (1) If within two years beginning with the date on which an applicant accepts an offer under section 193(7AA) (private rented sector offer), the applicant re-applies for accommodation, or for assistance in obtaining accommodation, and the local housing authority—
 - (a) is satisfied that the applicant is homeless and eligible for assistance, and
 - (b) is not satisfied that the applicant became homeless intentionally,the duty under section 193(2) applies regardless of whether the applicant has a priority need.

- (2) For the purpose of subsection (1), an applicant in respect of whom a valid notice under section 21 of the Housing Act 1988 (orders for possession on expiry or termination of assured shorthold tenancy) has been given is to be treated as homeless from the date on which that notice expires.

^{F2}(3)

^{F2}(4)

- (5) Subsection (1) ^{F3}...does not apply to a case where the local housing authority would not be satisfied as mentioned in that subsection without having regard to a restricted person.

- (6) Subsection (1) ^{F4}...does not apply to a re-application by an applicant for accommodation, or for assistance in obtaining accommodation, if the immediately preceding application made by that applicant was one to which subsection (1) ^{F4}...applied.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 195A inserted (9.11.2012 for E.) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\)](#), ss., **149(4)**, 240(3)(f); S.I. 2012/2599, arts. 1(2), 2 (with art. 3)
- F2** S. 195A(3)(4) omitted (3.4.2018) by virtue of [Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 \(c. 13\)](#), ss. **4(4)(a)**, 13(3); S.I. 2018/167, reg. 3(d) (with reg. 4(1))
- F3** Words in s. 195A(5) omitted (3.4.2018) by virtue of [Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 \(c. 13\)](#), ss. **4(4)(b)**, 13(3); S.I. 2018/167, reg. 3(d) (with reg. 4(1))
- F4** Words in s. 195A(6) omitted (3.4.2018) by virtue of [Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 \(c. 13\)](#), ss. **4(4)(c)**, 13(3); S.I. 2018/167, reg. 3(d) (with reg. 4(1))

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 124(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(2\)](#)
- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
- s. 124A124B inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 21](#)
- s. 125A(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 130A inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 7](#)
- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- s. 143MB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 28](#)