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## SCHEDULES

### [<sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE 6C

#### STAMP DUTY LAND TAX: RELIEF FOR FREEPORT TAX SITES

##### Textual Amendments

**F1** Sch. 6C inserted (10.6.2021) by Finance Act 2021 (c. 26), Sch. 23 para. 8

### PART 1

#### QUALIFYING FREEPORT LAND

##### *Transaction land*

- 1 In this Schedule, “transaction land”, in relation to a land transaction, means land a chargeable interest in which is the subject matter of the transaction.

##### *Qualifying freeport land*

- 2 For the purposes of this Schedule, transaction land is “qualifying freeport land” if, on the effective date of the transaction—
- (a) it is situated in a freeport tax site, and
  - (b) the purchaser intends it to be used exclusively in a qualifying manner.

##### *Use of land in a qualifying manner*

- 3 (1) For the purposes of this Schedule, transaction land is used in a qualifying manner if—
- (a) it is used by the purchaser or a connected person in the course of a commercial trade or profession,
  - (b) it is developed or redeveloped by the purchaser or a connected person for use (by any person) in the course of a commercial trade or profession,
  - (c) it is exploited by the purchaser or a connected person, in the course of a commercial trade or profession, as a source of rents or other receipts (other than excluded rents), or
  - (d) it is used in two or more of the ways described in paragraphs (a) to (c).
- (2) But land is not used in a qualifying manner to the extent that it is—
- (a) used as a dwelling or as the garden or grounds of a dwelling,
  - (b) developed or redeveloped to become residential property,
  - (c) exploited as a source of rents or other receipts payable by a person using the land as a dwelling or as the garden or grounds of a dwelling, or

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- (d) held (as stock of the business) for resale without development or redevelopment.
- (3) For the purposes of this paragraph, use of land in the course of a commercial trade or profession includes use of land for a purpose that is ancillary to the use of other land which—
  - (a) is situated in a freeport tax site, and
  - (b) is being used, or developed or redeveloped, in the course of a commercial trade or profession.
- (4) The references in sub-paragraph (2) to land used as the garden or grounds of a dwelling include a building or structure on the land.
- (5) The references in this paragraph to doing something in the course of a commercial trade or profession include doing something in the course of a property rental business.
- (6) In this paragraph—
  - “commercial”, in relation to a trade or profession, means carried on—
    - (a) on a commercial basis, and
    - (b) with a view to profit;
  - “excluded rents” has the same meaning as in section 133 of the Finance Act 2013;
  - “property rental business” means a property business as defined in Chapter 2 of Part 3 of the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005.

#### *Connected persons*

- 4 (1) In this Schedule, “connected person” means a person who is connected with the purchaser.
- (2) Section 1122 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 (connected persons) has effect for the purposes of this paragraph.]

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