



Mutuals' Deferred Shares Act 2015

2015 CHAPTER 13

2 Restriction on voting rights

- (1) Regulations under section 1(1) must make provision to ensure that no friendly society or mutual insurer will confer—
 - (a) more than one vote per person as a member on holders of deferred shares who are members of the society or insurer by virtue only of being such a holder;
 - (b) additional voting rights on a member of the society or insurer by virtue of being a holder of a deferred share where the member is a member other than by virtue of being such a holder.
- (2) Regulations under section 1(1) must make provision prohibiting the holder of a deferred share who is a member of a friendly society or mutual insurer by virtue only of being such a holder from proposing or voting in respect of any of the following—
 - (a) a resolution under section 85, 86 or 91 of the Friendly Societies Act 1992 (amalgamation, transfer of engagements or conversions);
 - (b) a resolution to similar effect in the case of a mutual insurer, including a compromise or arrangement proposed at a meeting called under section 896 of the Companies Act 2006 (court order for holding of meeting);
 - (c) an arrangement made in pursuance of section 110 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (acceptance of shares etc as consideration for sale of company property) or Article 96 of the [Insolvency \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1989 \(S.I. 1989 / 2405 \(N.I. 19\)\)](#);
 - (d) such other matters as the regulations may specify.
- (3) References in this section to the holder of a deferred share are to the holder of a deferred share issued by virtue of regulations made under section 1(1).