

# Tenant Fees Act 2019

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#### SCHEDULE 1 — Permitted payments

#### Rent

1 (1) A payment of rent under a tenancy is a...

#### Tenancy deposit

2 (1) A payment of a tenancy deposit is a permitted...

## Holding deposit

3 (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (3) to (6), a payment of...

# Payment in the event of a default

- 4 (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (3) to (8), a payment in...
- 5 A payment of damages for breach of a tenancy agreement...

#### Payment on variation, assignment or novation of a tenancy

6 (1) A payment is a permitted payment if it is...

## Payment on termination of a tenancy

7 (1) A payment is a permitted payment if it is...

## Payment in respect of council tax

8 (1) A payment to a billing authority in respect of...

Payment in respect of utilities etc

9 (1) A payment for or in connection with the provision...

Payment in respect of a television licence

10 (1) A payment to the British Broadcasting Corporation in respect...

Payment in respect of communication services

11 (1) A payment for or in connection with the provision...

SCHEDULE 2 — Treatment of holding deposit

## Application

1 This Schedule applies where a holding deposit is paid to...

#### *Interpretation*

2 (1) In this Schedule "the deadline for agreement" means the...

## Requirement to repay holding deposit

- 3 Subject as follows, the person who received the holding deposit...
- 4 If paragraph 3 applies, the deposit must be repaid within...
- 5 (1) The person who received the holding deposit must repay...

#### **Exceptions**

- 6 Paragraph 3(a) does not apply if or to the extent...
- 7 If all or part of the amount of the deposit...
- 8 Paragraph 3(b) or (c) does not apply if—
- 9 Paragraph 3(b) or (c) does not apply if the tenant...
- 10 Subject to paragraph 13, paragraph 3(c) does not apply if...
- 11 Subject to paragraph 13, paragraph 3(c) does not apply where...
- 12 Subject to paragraph 13, paragraph 3(c) does not apply where...
- 13 Paragraph 10, 11 or 12 does not apply (so that...

#### SCHEDULE 3 — Financial penalties etc

#### *Interpretation*

1 (1) In this Schedule references to a financial penalty include...

## Notice of intent

2 (1) This paragraph applies where an enforcement authority proposes to...

#### Right to make representations

3 A person who receives a notice of intent may, within...

#### Final notice

4 (1) After the end of the period mentioned in paragraph...

# Withdrawal or amendment of notice

5 (1) The enforcement authority may at any time—

#### Appeals

6 (1) A person on whom a final notice is served...

# Recovery of financial penalty

7 (1) This paragraph applies if a person who is liable...

## Recovery of prohibited payment etc

8 (1) This paragraph applies if a person who is liable...

# Assistance to recover prohibited payment etc

9 (1) An enforcement authority may help a relevant person to...

## Proceeds of financial penalties

- Where an enforcement authority imposes a financial penalty under this
- 11 Any proceeds of a financial penalty imposed under this Act...
- 12 (1) In paragraph 10, "enforcement functions in relation to the...

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Tenant Fees Act 2019.