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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Licensing and Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation and Other Houses (Miscellaneous Provisions) (England) Regulations 2006 (“the 2006 Regulations”) so as to reduce the information requirements for applications for the renewal of licences for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) requiring a licence under Part 2 of the Housing Act 2004 (c. 34), and for houses requiring a licence under Part 3 of that Act.

Regulation 2(1)(a) and (c) amend regulation 7 of the 2006 Regulations so that, where an application under Part 2 or 3 is a renewal application (that is, where a licence of the kind sought already exists at the time the application is made), the information required by paragraph 2(c) to (g) of Schedule 2 to those Regulations is not required. Instead, the applicant is required to declare that the information in question has not materially changed since the existing licence was granted, or to set out any material changes as part of the declaration. The form of declaration is added to Schedule 2 by regulation 2(3) of these Regulations.

Regulation 3 sets out the transitional provisions so that the amendments made by these Regulations will not apply to applications submitted prior to the day these Regulations come into effect.

An impact assessment has been prepared in relation to this instrument and is available alongside the explanatory memorandum at [www.legislation.gov.uk](http://www.legislation.gov.uk).