



# Housing Act 2004

## 2004 CHAPTER 34

### PART 2

#### LICENSING OF HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

##### *Grant or refusal of licences*

#### **63 Applications for licences**

- (1) An application for a licence must be made to the local housing authority.
- (2) The application must be made in accordance with such requirements as the authority may specify.
- (3) The authority may, in particular, require the application to be accompanied by a fee fixed by the authority.
- (4) The power of the authority to specify requirements under this section is subject to any regulations made under subsection (5).
- (5) The appropriate national authority may by regulations make provision about the making of applications under this section.
- (6) Such regulations may, in particular—
  - (a) specify the manner and form in which applications are to be made;
  - (b) require the applicant to give copies of the application, or information about it, to particular persons;
  - (c) specify the information which is to be supplied in connection with applications;
  - (d) specify the maximum fees which are to be charged (whether by specifying amounts or methods for calculating amounts);
  - (e) specify cases in which no fees are to be charged or fees are to be refunded.
- (7) When fixing fees under this section, the local housing authority may (subject to any regulations made under subsection (5)) take into account—

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- (a) all costs incurred by the authority in carrying out their functions under this Part, and
- (b) all costs incurred by them in carrying out their functions under Chapter 1 of Part 4 in relation to HMOs (so far as they are not recoverable under or by virtue of any provision of that Chapter).

#### Commencement Information

- II** S. 63 wholly in force at 16.6.2006; s. 63 in force for certain purposes at Royal Assent see s. 270(2) (b); s. 63 in force for E. at 6.4.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1060](#), **art. 2(1)(a)** (with [Sch.](#)); s. 63 in force for W. at 16.6.2006 by [S.I. 2006/1535](#), **art. 2(a)** (with [Sch.](#))

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 63(6)(c) words inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(2\)](#)

**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. 66(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 66(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 89(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 89(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 125\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 139(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 127\(3\)](#)