RENTING HOMES (WALES) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION

Where are the terms of an occupation contract set out?

26. The Act, in section 31, requires the landlord to give the contract-holder a written statement of the occupation contract within two weeks of the date on which the contract-holder became entitled to live in the home (this date is referred to in the Act as the 'occupation date'). This means a contract can be formed and come into force before the contract-holder has been given the written statement. This reflects current housing and contract law, and is intended to facilitate the provision of housing as swiftly as possible. In practice, it is likely that the written statement will often be given before, or concurrently with, the occupation date.