

Housing (Scotland) Act 2006

PART 5

LICENSING OF HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

Terms of HMO licence

134 **Duration of HMO licence**

- (1) An HMO licence—
 - (a) has effect from, and
 - (b) expires 3 years (or such shorter period of not less than 6 months as may be specified in the licence) after,

the latest of the dates set out in subsection (2).

- (2) Those dates are—
 - (a) the date on which notice of the decision to grant it is served on the licence holder under section 158,
 - (b) where the local authority was required to consider a valid written representation, or decided to consider a late written representation, about the application for the HMO licence—
 - (i) the last date on which the decision to grant the HMO licence may be appealed to the sheriff by the respondent, or
 - (ii) where such an appeal is made, the date on which it is abandoned or finally determined other than by quashing the decision to grant the licence, and
 - (c) any later date as may be specified in the HMO licence.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to an HMO licence granted in pursuance of paragraph 9(6) of schedule 4.
- (4) An HMO licence which is so granted—
 - (a) has effect from, and
 - (b) expires one year after,

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- the date by which the local authority was required by sub-paragraph (1) of that paragraph to determine the application for that licence.
- (5) Sections 135 to 137 set out circumstances in which an HMO licence is to continue to have effect until a later date or, as the case may be, to expire early.