

# Property Factors (Scotland) Act 2011 2011 asp 8

### PART 1

#### REGISTRATION OF PROPERTY FACTORS

## Registration

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- (1) This section applies where a person makes an application to the Scottish Ministers in accordance with section 3.
- (2) In any case where the Scottish Ministers are considering refusing to enter a person in the register, they must before doing so—
  - (a) give notice to the responsible person that refusal is under consideration, and
  - (b) allow the person who made the application under section 3(1) an opportunity to make representations to them.
- (3) Notice under subsection (2) must be accompanied by a written statement of the Scottish Ministers' reasons for proposing to refuse to enter the person in the register.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must enter the person in the register if, having considered the application and taken account of any representations made by virtue of subsection (2), they are satisfied—
  - (a) where the person has not previously been registered, that the person is a fit and proper person to be a property factor,
  - (b) where the person is, or has previously been, registered, that—
    - (i) the person is a fit and proper person to be a property factor,
    - (ii) the person has demonstrated compliance with section 13(3),
    - (iii) the person has, while registered, demonstrated compliance with the property factor code of conduct, and
    - (iv) the person has demonstrated compliance with a property factor enforcement order made against the person by a homeowner housing committee.
- (5) Otherwise, the Scottish Ministers must refuse to enter the person in the register.

- (6) An entry under subsection (4) must include the information specified in the application by virtue of paragraphs (a) to (f) of section 3(2).
- (7) Subject to section 8, where the Scottish Ministers make an entry under subsection (4), they must remove the entry from the register—
  - (a) on the expiry of the period of 3 years beginning with the day on which the entry is made, or
  - (b) where the person to whom the entry relates—
    - (i) has made a further application for entry in the register under section 3(1), and
    - (ii) that application has not been determined on the expiry of the period mentioned in paragraph (a),

on the determination of that further application.

- (8) For the purposes of—
  - (a) subsection (7)(b), an application is determined only when—
    - (i) the period within which any appeal under section 11(2) in relation to the application may be made expires (without such an appeal being made), or
    - (ii) any such appeal is concluded,
  - (b) paragraph (a)(ii), an appeal is concluded only when—
    - (i) the period within which an appeal under section 11(9) may be made has expired without such an appeal being made, or
    - (ii) any such appeal has been concluded.