



Insolvency Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 45

[^{F1}PART 7A

DEBT RELIEF ORDERS

[^{F1}Duties of debtor

Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 7A inserted (24.2.2009 for certain purposes otherwise 6.4.2009) by [Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 \(c. 15\)](#), ss. 108(1), 148(5), [Sch. 17](#); S.I. 2009/382, [art. 2](#)

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- (1) The duties in this section apply to a debtor at any time after the making of an application by him for a debt relief order.
- (2) The debtor must—
 - (a) give to the official receiver such information as to his affairs,
 - (b) attend on the official receiver at such times, and
 - (c) do all such other things,as the official receiver may reasonably require for the purpose of carrying out his functions in relation to the application or, as the case may be, the debt relief order made as a result of the application.
- (3) The debtor must notify the official receiver as soon as reasonably practicable if he becomes aware of—
 - (a) any error in, or omission from, the information supplied to the official receiver in, or in support of, the application;
 - (b) any change in his circumstances between the application date and the determination date that would affect (or would have affected) the determination of the application.

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- (4) The duties under subsections (2) and (3) apply after (as well as before) the determination of the application, for as long as the official receiver is able to exercise functions of the kind mentioned in subsection (2).
- (5) If a debt relief order is made as a result of the application, the debtor must notify the official receiver as soon as reasonably practicable if—
 - (a) there is an increase in his income during the moratorium period applicable to the order;
 - (b) he acquires any property or any property is devolved upon him during that period;
 - (c) he becomes aware of any error in or omission from any information supplied by him to the official receiver after the determination date.
- (6) A notification under subsection (3) or (5) must give the prescribed particulars (if any) of the matter being notified.]

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act amendment to earlier affecting provision S.I. 1986/1999, art. 3, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 by [S.I. 2017/1119 Sch. 3 para. 1](#)
- 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. 41HB(2) words substituted by [2018 c. 14 s. 1\(3\)\(b\)](#)