



Landlord and Tenant Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 31

PART I

TENANTS' RIGHTS OF FIRST REFUSAL

[^{F1} Rights of first refusal]

[^{F1}9A Notice of withdrawal by nominated person.

- (1) Where the landlord is obliged to proceed, the nominated person may serve notice on the landlord (a “notice of withdrawal”) indicating his intention no longer to proceed with the acquisition of the protected interest.
- (2) If at any time the nominated person becomes aware that the number of the qualifying tenants of the constituent flats desiring to proceed with the acquisition of the protected interest is less than the requisite majority of qualifying tenants of those flats, he shall forthwith serve a notice of withdrawal.
- (3) Where notice of withdrawal is given by the nominated person under this section, the landlord may, during the period of 12 months beginning with the date of service of the notice, dispose of the protected interest to such person as he thinks fit, but subject to the following restrictions.
- (4) Where the offer notice was one to which section 5B applied (sale by auction), the restrictions are—
 - (a) that the disposal is made by means of a sale at a public auction, and
 - (b) that the other terms correspond to those specified in the offer notice.
- (5) In any other case the restrictions are—
 - (a) that the deposit and consideration required are not less than those specified in the offer notice or, if higher, those agreed between the landlord and the nominated person (subject to contract), and
 - (b) that the other terms correspond to those specified in the offer notice.

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(6) If notice of withdrawal is served under this section before the end of the first four weeks of the nomination period specified in the offer notice, the nominated person and the qualifying tenants who served the acceptance notice are not liable for any costs incurred by the landlord in connection with the disposal.

(7) If notice of withdrawal is served under this section after the end of those four weeks, the landlord may recover from the nominated person and the qualifying tenants who served the acceptance notice any costs reasonably incurred by him in connection with the disposal between the end of those four weeks and the time when the notice of withdrawal was served on him.

Any such liability of the nominated person and those tenants is a joint and several liability.

(8) This section does not apply after a binding contract for the disposal of the protected interest—

- (a) has been entered into by the landlord and the nominated person, or
- (b) has otherwise come into existence between the landlord and the nominated person by virtue of any provision of this Part.]

Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 5, 5A-5E, 6, 7, 8, 8A-8E, 9A, 9B, 10 and crossheading substituted for ss. 5-10 (1.10.1996) by 1996 c. 52, s. 92(1), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**; S.I. 1996/2212, **art. 2(2)** (with **Sch.**)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 24(2)(abb) inserted by [2002 c. 15 Sch. 10 para. 14](#)