



# Housing Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 52

### PART VI

#### ALLOCATION OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

#### *[<sup>F2</sup> Allocation schemes]*

#### 168 <sup>F1F2</sup> Information about allocation scheme.

- (1) A local housing authority shall publish a summary of their allocation scheme and provide a copy of the summary free of charge to any member of the public who asks for one.
- (2) The authority shall make the scheme available for inspection at their principal office and shall provide a copy of the scheme, on payment of a reasonable fee, to any member of the public who asks for one.
- (3) When the authority make an alteration to their scheme reflecting a major change of policy, they shall within a reasonable period of time [<sup>F3</sup>take such steps as they consider reasonable to bring the effect of the alteration to the attention of those likely to be affected by it].

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 167 heading inserted (15.1.2012 for specified purposes, 18.6.2012 in so far as not already in force) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\)](#), [ss. 147\(5\)\(a\)](#), 240(2); [S.I. 2012/57](#), [art. 4\(1\)\(k\)](#) (with [arts. 6, 7, 9-11](#)); [S.I. 2012/1463](#), [art. 3](#)
- F2** S. 167 cross-heading substituted (15.1.2012 for specified purposes, 18.6.2012 in so far as not already in force) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\)](#), [ss. 147\(3\)](#), 240(2); [S.I. 2012/57](#), [art. 4\(1\)\(k\)](#) (with [arts. 6, 7, 9-11](#)); [S.I. 2012/1463](#), [art. 3](#)
- F3** Words in s. 168(3) substituted (27.1.2003 for W. and 31.1.2003 for E.) by [2002 c. 7, s. 18\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 4](#) (with [s. 20\(4\)](#)); [S.I. 2002/1736](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#), [Sch. Pt. 2](#); [S.I. 2002/3114](#), [art. 3](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

Housing Act 1996, Section 168 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 27 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

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

- 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. 124(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(2\)](#)
- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
- s. 124A124B inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 21](#)
- s. 125A(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 130A inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 7](#)
- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- s. 143MB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 28](#)