



Licensing Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 17

PART 3

PREMISES LICENCES

Duration of licence

26 Period of validity of premises licence

- (1) Subject to sections 27 and 28, a premises licence has effect until such time as—
 - (a) it is revoked under section 52, or
 - (b) if it specifies that it has effect for a limited period, that period expires.
- (2) But a premises licence does not have effect during any period when it is suspended under section 52.

27 Death, incapacity, insolvency etc. of licence holder

- (1) A premises licence lapses if the holder of the licence—
 - (a) dies,
 - (b) becomes mentally incapable (within the meaning of section 13(1) of the Enduring Powers of Attorney Act 1985 (c. 29)),
 - (c) becomes insolvent,
 - (d) is dissolved, or
 - (e) if it is a club, ceases to be a recognised club.
- (2) This section is subject to sections 47 and 50 (which make provision for the reinstatement of the licence in certain circumstances).
- (3) For the purposes of this section, an individual becomes insolvent on—
 - (a) the approval of a voluntary arrangement proposed by him,
 - (b) being adjudged bankrupt or having his estate sequestrated, or

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- (c) entering into a deed of arrangement made for the benefit of his creditors or a trust deed for his creditors.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, a company becomes insolvent on—
 - (a) the approval of a voluntary arrangement proposed by its directors,
 - (b) the appointment of an administrator in respect of the company,
 - (c) the appointment of an administrative receiver in respect of the company, or
 - (d) going into liquidation.
- (5) An expression used in this section and in the Insolvency Act 1986 (c. 45) has the same meaning in this section as in that Act.

28 Surrender of premises licence

- (1) Where the holder of a premises licence wishes to surrender his licence he may give the relevant licensing authority a notice to that effect.
- (2) The notice must be accompanied by the premises licence or, if that is not practicable, by a statement of the reasons for the failure to provide the licence.
- (3) Where a notice of surrender is given in accordance with this section, the premises licence lapses on receipt of the notice by the authority.
- (4) This section is subject to section 50 (which makes provision for the reinstatement in certain circumstances of a licence surrendered under this section).