
**HOUSING (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS)
REGULATIONS 2017****Subsidiary
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Subsidiary Legislation made under s.30.

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In the exercise of the powers conferred upon her by section 30 of the Housing Act 2007, and of all other enabling powers, the Minister with responsibility for housing has made the following Regulations.

Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2017.

Commencement.

2. These Regulations shall come into operation on the day of publication.

Interpretation.

3. In these Regulations-

“agreement” means a tenancy or licence agreement between the Principal Housing Officer for and on behalf of the Government and a tenant or joint tenants as referred to in section 2 of the principal Act;

“principal Act” means the Housing Act 2007;

“Principal Housing Officer” means the senior public officer of the Ministry for Housing or such other public officer as referred to in section 2 of the principal Act;

“public housing” means a flat, house, building or part of a building owned by the Government and occupied by a tenant or available for allocation to be occupied by a tenant as a residence, under an agreement as referred to in section 2 of the principal Act;

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“rents” mean the sums payable pursuant to an agreement inclusive of service charges and other charges payable under an agreement but exclusive of government rates;

“Minister” means the minister with responsibility for housing as referred to in section 2 of the principal Act;

“tenant” means any person occupying premises under an agreement and where the context so admits reference to a tenant shall be construed as including a reference to a licensee and the expression includes joint tenants as referred to in section 2 of the principal Act.

Increase to level of rents.

4.(1) The rents payable under an agreement by every tenant of public housing shall be increased from time to time by the Minister by notice published in the Gazette.

(2) The notice shall specify-

- (a) the increase as calculated on the rents being paid at the time of the notice; and
- (b) the date on which the increased rents shall commence to be payable by tenants of public housing.