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- (b) are not within Schedule 3 to the Renting Homes Act 2022, which includes contracts which can be terminated by giving notice (not later than end of term) to the contract-holder under section 194 (landlord's notice) or section 189 (contract-holder's notice) of the Renting Homes Act 2016 ("the Act"),

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Schedule 3 to the Renting Homes Act 2022. The terms included in it are those set out in the Act. Some terms may not be included in the contract-holder's agreement (but may be included if the position is improved).

Landlords or agents can use the document as the basis for creating a new fixed term standard occupation contract. Modifications to the terms, or the inclusion of additional terms, may be required in individual circumstances and requirements.

Where a landlord or agent is uncertain about the position or inclusion of any term, independent advice should be sought.

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This is your written statement of the terms (Wales) Act 2016 ("the Act"). The "holder" and the "landlord". You have made under the Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 ("the Act"). You, as the "contract-

Your landlord must give you a written statement (including electronic form) within 14 days of date that the written statement provided, the landlord may be liable for a maximum of two months' rent (unless the court increases this amount).

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You can be held responsible for the behaviour of other people who live in or visit the dwelling. Anti-social behaviour and other prohibited behaviour include physical assault. It may also include sexual, psychological, emotional or financial abuse.

If you have a problem with your landlord, it can be resolved quickly by raising the matter with your landlord, you may want to contact Citizens Advice Cymru or Shelter Cymru or independent advice agencies. Disputes regarding your contract may ultimately be settled through the courts.

If you have any questions about this section, you can find answers on the Welsh Government website along with relevant information on the resolution of disputes. Alternatively, contact an advice agency (such as Citizens Advice Cymru or Shelter Cymru) or legal advisors.

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FIXED TERM STANDARD

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The key matters and information

This contract is between:

and:

It relates to:

The initial rent is £_____ per week.
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The first payment is to be made on _____.

And further payments are to be made on _____.

This fixed term standard contract

3 If you remain in occupation of the dwelling after the end of the term, the landlord are to be treated as having made a new periodic standard contract in relation to the dwelling.

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You are not entitled to occupy the dwelling from _____
to _____ (delete as applicable)

You can contact the landlord

by post: _____

by telephone: _____

by e-mail: _____

You have paid a deposit of £_____

For more information about the house, contact:

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The occupation date (when you came to live in the dwelling) is:

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Please sign below as evidence of your signature on the contract.

Contract-holder(s)

Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

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Date _____

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Landlord(s)

Name _____

Signature _____

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FIXEDTERM FUNDAMENTALS

CONTRACT– CONTINGENTARYTERMS

The fundamental and supplemental terms that follow this part are fundamental terms that have been added after the terms under the heading "Fundamental terms that have been added." The term **(S)** indicates that the term has been added.

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Rent and other charges

Receipt of rent or other consideration

1. Within 14 days of a request from you, you must give you with written receipt of any rent or other consideration⁶ paid or provided by you.

Periods when the dwelling is unfit for human habitation (S)

2. You are not required to pay the rent or other consideration for the period during which the dwelling is unfit for human habitation⁷.

Right of set off⁸ (F+)

3. If the landlord is liable to pay you compensation under section 87 of the Act, you may set off that liability against rent⁹.

⁶ “Other consideration” could include for example, undertaking work for the landlord.

⁷ When determining whether a dwelling is fit for human habitation, reference should be had to the matters and circumstances set out in the government’s website.

⁸ This term only applies to contracts under which you pay rent.

⁹ The “right of set off” means that if a landlord fails to provide compensation for things such as a failure to provide a written statement of the contract, the contractor can deduct the value of the outstanding compensation. Section 87 of the Act sets out all the circumstances in which the right of set off is to be calculated.

Deposit

Form of security (F+)

4. The landlord may not require security (other than a deposit) to be given in any form other than—
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a) money, or
b) a guarantee.

Requirement to use a deposit scheme

5. (1) If you pay a deposit under this contract, and it is held by your landlord (or by a person authorised to hold it on your behalf), the deposit must be dealt with in accordance with the relevant authorised deposits scheme¹⁰.
- (2) Before the end of the period of the tenancy, and on the day on which the deposit is paid, the landlord must—

- a) comply with the initial requirements of the relevant authorised deposits scheme, and
b) give you (and any person authorised to hold the deposit on your behalf) the required information.

- (3) The required information must be given in the manner specified by the Welsh Ministers in regulations in accordance with the Act, relating to—

- a) the authorised deposit scheme.

¹⁰ Information about authorised deposit schemes and how to complain if you are dissatisfied with a deposit “information” can be found on the Welsh Government’s website.

- b) the landlord's compliance with the requirements of the scheme, and
- c) the operation of Chapter 2A of the Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008 (as amended by the Consumer Protection (Dispute Resolution and Deposit Schemes) Regulations 2013), including the rights (and responsibilities) of landlords in relation to deposits held on behalf of tenants.

Prohibited conduct

Anti-social behaviour and other prohibited conduct (F)

6. (1) You must not engage or threaten to engage in conduct capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to a person with a right (of whatever nature) to occupy a dwelling.

- a) to live in the dwelling subject to his contract;
- b) to live in a dwelling or other place in the locality of the dwelling subject to his contract.

- (2) You must not engage or threaten to engage in conduct capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to a person engaged in lawful activity:

- a) in the dwelling subject to his contract;
- b) in the locality of that dwelling.

- (3) You must not engage or threaten to engage in conduct:

- a) capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to:
- (i) the landlord, or

11 Behaviour which potentially breaches these terms and conditions may also be prohibited conduct. Prohibited conduct may also include domestic abuse (including physical, psychological, emotional or financial abuse).

- (ii) a person (whether or not they exercise the functions) acting in connection with management functions, and

b) that is directly or indirectly involved in the performance of the landlord's housing management functions.

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Landlord's housing management

(4) You may not use or threaten to use force or violence against anyone in connection with this contract, including any common parts¹² and any other part of a building, for criminal purposes.

- (5) You must not, by any actor or movie, do any of the following:

 - a) allow, incite or encourage any person to commit an offence mentioned in paragraph (4) of this section;
 - b) allow, incite or encourage any person to commit an offence mentioned in paragraph (4) of this section;

Control of the dwelling

Use of the dwelling by the contractor

7. You must not carry on or permit an activity on your property without the landlord's consent.

Permitted occupiers who are not members of the household

8. You may permit persons who are ^{s¹⁴}

12 The common parts of a dwelling are a) any part of the dwelling which the contract-holder is entitled to use in common with others.

13 Section 244(3) and (4) of the Act provide that if the tenancy or licence under which he or she occupies the dwelling falls within paragraph 6 of schedule 2 that his or her tenancy or licence is an occupation contract.

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Righttooccupywithoutinterference(F+)

9. (1) The landlord may not, by any action or conduct, interfere with your right to occupy the dwelling.

(2) The landlord does not interfere with your right to occupy the dwelling by reasonably exercising the landlord's rights under this contract.

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14 Section 59(3) of the Act provides that a "sub-hirer" is a person who occupies the dwelling under the sub-occupation contract.

(3) The landlord does not interfere with your right to repair your dwelling because of a failure to comply with repairing obligations (which are set out in section 100(2) of the Act)¹⁵.

(4) The landlord is to be treated as your landlord's agent if you have a right if a person who—

- a) acts on behalf of the landlord;
- b) has an interest in the dwelling which is superior to the landlord's interest, or interferes with your right by action.

Landlord's right to enter the dwelling

10. (1) The landlord may enter the dwelling for the purpose of—

- a) inspecting its condition;
- b) carrying out works or repairing it in accordance with the obligations set out in terms 15 and 16 of this contract.

(2) The landlord must give at least 24 hours' notice before exercising that right.

(3) Paragraph (4) of this term applies.

- a) the dwelling forms part of a building;
- b) in order to comply with the obligations set out in terms 15 and 16 the landlord needs to carry out works or repair it.

15 Section 100(2) of the Act states that "Repairing obligations" means the obligation to repair (or keep or deliver up in repair), or to maintain, renew, construct or replace any part of a dwelling, as expressed, and include a landlord's obligation under sections 91 and 92 of the Act are reflected in terms 15 and 16 of this contract.

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(4) The landlord is not liable for damage to the dwelling if the landlord does not have sufficient time to repair the dwelling or make reasonable efforts to do so.

Landlord's right to enter the dwelling for fixtures and fittings (S)

11. (1)

In circumstances where you have given notice under paragraph 14(2) and (3), the landlord may enter the dwelling at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out repairs to the items listed in the inventory, or replacing them.

(2) But the landlord must give you notice before entering the dwelling.

Landlord's right to enter the dwelling in an emergency (M)

12. (1)

In the event of an emergency which poses a danger to the dwelling, you must give the landlord immediate notice of the emergency and allow the landlord to enter the dwelling without notice.

(2) If you do not provide access in time, the landlord may enter the dwelling without your permission.

(3) If the landlord enters the dwelling in an emergency under paragraph (2) of this term, the landlord must re-enter the dwelling as soon as reasonably practicable after entry.

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(4) For the purposes of paragraph 12, "emergency" includes—

- something which requires urgent attention to prevent the dwelling or dwellings in the vicinity from being severely damaged or destroyed, and
- something which if not attended to immediately, would put at immediate risk the health and safety of persons in the vicinity of the dwelling or dwellings.

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Care of the dwelling—contractor's responsibilities

Duty to take care of the dwelling

13. You are not liable for fair wear and tear of fixtures and fittings within the dwelling but you must—

- a) take proper care of the fixtures and fittings within the dwelling and any items listed in the inventory;
- b) not remove any fixtures and fittings from the dwelling without the consent of the landlord;
- c) keep the dwelling in a state of reasonable repair, in a safe condition, and
- d) not keep anything in the dwelling which poses a health and safety risk to you, any permitted occupier¹⁶, any other person in the dwelling or any persons residing in the vicinity of the dwelling.

Duty to notify landlord of defect

14. (1)

You must notify the landlord as soon as possible of any fault, defect, damage or disrepair which you reasonably believe may affect the dwelling.

(2) Where you reasonably believe that the cost of repairing damage or disrepair to the fixtures and fittings or items listed in the inventory exceeds the amount of rent for a period of time, carry out repairs or replace them.

¹⁶ Section 244(5) of the Act provides that a person is not a permitted occupier if (a) he or she lives in the dwelling as a lodger or sub-holder and is not permitted by the contract-holder to live in the dwelling subject to an occupation contract if (a) he or

(b) he or she is not a lodger or sub-holder but is permitted by the contract-holder to live in the dwelling subject to an occupation contract if (a) he or

(3) The circumstances in which premises are considered to be in a state of disrepair include where there is a lack of care¹⁷ by you, any permitted user or any other person who has the right to enter the dwelling.

Care of the dwelling – landlord's obligations

Landlord's obligation: fitness for habitation¹⁸ (+)

15. (1) The landlord must ensure that the dwelling is fit for habitation¹⁸—

- a) on the occupation date;
- b) for the duration of this contract.

(2) The reference to the dwelling includes, if the dwelling forms part only of a building, the structure and parts of the building that are common to it.

Landlord's obligation to keep a dwelling in repair

16. (1) The landlord must—

- a) keep in repair the structure and parts of the dwelling (including drains, gutters and external pipes), and
- b) keep in repair and properly maintain all fixtures and installations in the dwelling.

(2) If the dwelling forms part only of a building, the landlord must—

17 Section 96(3) of the Act defines “lack of care” as (a) a failure to take reasonable care of the dwelling, or (b) if the dwelling forms part only of a building, of the common parts that you are responsible for under your tenancy contract.

18 When determining whether a dwelling is fit for habitation, you must have regard to the matters and circumstances set out in the regulations made under section 94 of the Act, which are available on the Government’s website.

- a) keep in repair the structure and fabric of the dwellinghouse and any part of the building (including drains, gutters and external walls) which the landowner has an interest in, and
- b) keep in repair and properly maintain any service or other installation which directly or indirectly serves the dwellinghouse—
- (i) forms part of any structure or part of any structure, or
 - (ii) is owned by the landlord and is under the landlord's control.

(3) The standard of repair required by this term is that which is reasonable having regard to the age and character of the dwellinghouse and the period during which the dwellinghouse is likely to be available for occupation.

(4) In this contract, "service installation" means any system or equipment for the supply of water, gas or electricity, for sanitation, for space heating or for cooling.

Further landlord obligations in respect of the dwellinghouse

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17. (1)

The landlord must make good any damage to the dwellinghouse and repairs carried out in order to comply with the landlord's obligations under this term.

(2) The landlord may not impose any charge on the tenant in respect of damage to the dwellinghouse caused by the tenant or his or her guests, event of you en forcing or relying on the landlord's obligations under this term.

Limit on landlord obligations in respect of the dwellinghouse

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18. (1)

Term 15(1) does not impose any liability on the landlord in respect of a dwellinghouse which the landlord cannot make fit for human habitation.

(2) The landlord's obligations under this term—

- a) to keep in repair anything in the dwellinghouse;
- b) to rebuild or reinstate the dwellinghouse;

on not require the landlord—

- to remove from the dwellinghouse, or
- in the case of destruction or damage by a relevant cause,

(3) If the dwelling forms part only of a building which the landlord (or in the case of joint landlordship, each landlord) does not require the landlord to repair, or if the landlord has an estate or interest, in the case of a leasehold tenancy, in the dwelling, the landlord's obligations under terms 15(1) and 16(2) do not arise until the landlord becomes aware that works or repairs are necessary.

(4) Relevant causes for the purpose of paragraph 16(2) include—
d(3) of this term are fire, storm, flood or other inevitable accident.

(5) Term 16(2) does not require the landlord to repair the dwelling or common parts that you are entitled to use to keep it in proper working order if—

- a) the dwelling, or
- b) the common parts that you are entitled to use under this contract.

Limit on landlord obligations in respect of a dwelling where the landlord's fault (F+)

19. (1)

Term 15(1) does not impose any liability on the landlord if the dwelling is unfit for human habitation because of a lack of care (whether wholly or mainly because of an act or omission by you or a permitted occupier) or if the landlord fails to repair (whether wholly or mainly because of an act or omission by you or a permitted occupier) a dwelling that is unfit for human habitation because of a lack of care.

(2) The landlord is not obliged by term 16(1) to repair a dwelling if the failure of a service installation to be repaired is wholly or mainly attributable to a lack of care by you or a permitted occupier of the dwelling.

(3) "Lack of care" means a failure—

- a) of the dwelling, or
- b) if the dwelling forms part of a building which the landlord does not require the landlord to repair, or if the landlord has an estate or interest, in the case of a leasehold tenancy, in the dwelling, of the common parts that you are entitled to use under this contract.

Limit on landlord obligations in respect of a dwelling where the landlord's notice (F+)

20. (1)

The landlord's obligations under terms 15(1) and 16(1) and (2) do not arise until the landlord becomes aware that works or repairs are necessary.

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(3) If—

- a) thelandlord(the“oldlandlord”)andanothersonsperson(the“newlandlord”)arebothawareoftheneedforrepairsandthelandlord’sinterestinthedwellingisnottransferable,thenthelandlordandanothersonspersonconstitutetheoldlandlord,anewlandlord,or(2),
b) theoldlandlord(orwhicheveroneofthem)isawarebutthelandlordisnot,thenthelandlordisnottransferable,thelandlordandanothersonspersonconstitutetheoldlandlord,anewlandlord,or(2),

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Rightsofpermittedoccupiers(¹⁹)

21. (1)

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19 Section 244(5) of the Act provides that a person who is not a lodger or sub-occupier of a dwelling subject to an occupation contract if (a) he or she lives in the dwelling as a lodger or sub-occupier under a tenancy or licence, or (b) he or she is not a lodger or sub-holder but is permitted by the contract-holder to live in the dwelling as a lodger or sub-occupier.

20 Section 244(3) and (4) of the Act provide that a person who is not a lodger or sub-occupier of a dwelling subject to an occupation contract if the tenancy or licence under which he or she occupies the dwelling falls within paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 (a tenancy or licence shared with landlording accommodation shared with landlording). But a person does not live in a dwelling as a lodger or sub-occupier if the tenancy or licence is an occupation contract.

Making changes to the dwelling

Changes to the dwelling (S)

22. (1) You must not make any alteration to the dwelling without the consent of the landlord.

- (2) the purposes of paragraph (1) include—
- any addition to or alteration of parts of the dwelling;
 - the erection of an aerial mast or antenna on the dwelling;
 - the erection, removal or alteration of any outbuildings, such as sheds, garages or any other structures, on or in the dwelling, and
 - the carrying out of external works to the exterior of the dwelling.

Changes to the provision of utilities

23. (1) You may change any of the usual services supplied to the dwelling if—

- electricity, gas, or other fuel, water, drainage or sewerage) services;
- telephone, internet, cable television or other television services.

(2) You must inform the landlord of the dwelling in writing of the notice period specified in paragraph (1) of this term.

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- 21 Section 59(3) of the Act provides that a person who occupies a dwelling under a sub-occupation contract is a tenant under the sub-occupation contract.
- 22 Section 59(2) of the Act provides that a person who occupies a dwelling under a sub-occupation contract (a) made with a landlord who is the owner of the dwelling, or (b) made with a person who is not the owner of the dwelling to which that contract relates.

(3) Unless the landlord consents:

- a) leave the dwelling, at the end of the tenancy, unless the landlord has given notice to a supplier of electricity, gas or other fuel (if applicable) to cancel the service, unless these utilities were not present at the dwelling on the start date;
- b) install or remove, or rearrange, any specified service installations at the dwelling, unless the landlord has removed, any specified service installations at the dwelling.

(4) For the purposes of paragraph 24, "specified service installations" means an installation for the supply of water, gas, electricity, central heating or for heating water.

Security and safety of the dwelling – the landlord's responsibilities

Security of the dwelling – unoccupied dwellings

24. If you become aware that the dwelling is unoccupied for 28 or more consecutive days, you must notify the landlord as soon as practicable.

Security of the dwelling – locks (or lack thereof)

25. (1) You must take reasonable steps to ensure that the locks of the dwelling are secure.

(2) You may change any lock on the dwelling without the consent of the tenant if such changes provide less security for the dwelling provided that any such changes do not affect the rights of the tenant.

(3) If any change made under paragraph 25 affects the tenant's right to enter the dwelling or any part of the dwelling, the landlord must give the tenant a new key being needed to access the dwelling as soon as reasonably practicable of any change and make available a copy of the new key.

Creating a sub-tenancy or licence, transferring the contract, amending the tenancy agreement or mortgaging

Permissible forms of dealing (Form 1)

26. (1) You may not deal with this contract or with any part of the dwelling except—

- a) in a way permitted by this contract or by section 251 of the Act);²³
- b) in accordance with a fair arrangement between you and your landlord.

(2) A joint contract—
holder may not deal with his or her share of the dwelling or any part of the dwelling under this contract (or with this contract, together with any other person).

- a) in a way permitted by this contract or by section 251 of the Act);²³
- b) in accordance with a fair arrangement between you and your landlord.

(3) If you do anything in breach of this contract, your landlord may not deal with your share of the dwelling or any part of the dwelling under this joint contract—

- a) the transaction is not binding on your landlord;
- b) you or the joint contract holder are in breach of this contract (or with this contract, together with any other person);
the transaction is not being binding on your landlord).

(4) “Dealing” includes—

- a) creating a tenancy, or continuing it, or transferring it, so as to confer the right to occupy the dwelling;
- b) transferring;
- c) mortgaging or otherwise dealing with the dwelling.

²³ Section 251 of the Act sets out the measures that can be taken by a court to resolve disputes about types of orders to resolve what happens to the dwelling if there is a dispute about the purposes of this term. Courts may make many kinds of order, such as a partition etc.

Permitting lodgers(S)

27. You must not allow persons to live in a dwelling without the landlord's consent.

Provisions about joint contracts

Adding a joint contract-holder(28)

28. (1) You, as the contract-holder under this contract, and another person may add another person as a joint contract-holder under this contract by giving notice in writing to the landlord without the consent of the landlord²⁵, making that person a joint contract-holder.

(2) If a person is made a joint contract-holder under this term, he or she has all the rights and subject to all the obligations of a joint contract-holder under this contract as if he or she becomes a joint contract-holder.

Joint contract-holder ceasing to be a joint contract-holder--survivorship(F)

29. (1) If a joint contract-holder under this contract dies, or ceases to be a joint contract-holder under this contract for some other reason, from the time he or she ceases to be a joint contract-holder—

- fully entitled to all the rights and
- liable to perform fully every obligation under this contract.

24 For the purposes of this term, section 24 of the Act does not apply if the person lives in a dwelling as a lodger if the tenancy or licence under which he or she occupies the dwelling is not shared with the landlord. But a person does not live as a lodger if he or she is given notice under paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 that his or her tenancy or licence is terminated.

25 When considering a request that a person be added as a joint contract-holder, a landlord may not (a) unreasonably refuse consent, or (b) consider a request for consent under section 84 of the Act, a 'landlord may not (a) conditions'. What is reasonable is to be determined having regard to Schedule 6 to the Act.

(2) The joint contract-holder is not entitled to any rights or obligations under the contract after he or she ceases to be a party to the contract.

(3) Nothing in paragraph (1) or (2) affects the right of a joint contract-holder accruing before he or she ceases to be a party to the contract.

(4) This term does not apply where a joint contract-holder ceases to be a party to this contract because his or her rights and obligations under the contract are transferred in accordance with Part 9.

Termination of contract—general

Permissible termination etc. (Final)

30. (1) This contract may be ended or terminated:

- a) the fundamental terms set out in Part 9 of the Act or other terms included in this contract in accordance with Part 9 which are set out in this contract in accordance with terms 46 to 54²⁶, or
- b) any enactments such as those made by the Welsh Assembly or an Act of Parliament or regulation made by the National Assembly for Wales.

(2) Nothing in this term affects:

- a) any right of the landlord or licensee under this contract, or
- b) the operation of the law of Wales.

26 The fundamental terms of this contract are the provisions set out in Part 9 of the Act or other terms included in this contract in accordance with terms 46 to 54.

spect of the period after he or she ceases to be a party to the contract.

ight or waives any liability of the joint contract-holder.

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STermination by agreement (F+)

31. (1) If the landlord and you agree to terminate the contract—

- a) when you give up possession of the dwelling before the contract ends—
in accordance with what you agreed with the landlord, or
- b) if you do not give up possession of the dwelling immediately before the occupation contract is made, immediately before the occupation contract is made, immediately before the occupation contract.

(2) An occupation contract is usually:

- a) it is made in respect of the dwelling (or substantially the same dwelling) as the original contract, and
- b) you were also the contractor under the original contract.

Repudiatory breach by landlord

32. If the landlord commits a repudiatory breach of the contract because of that breach, this could entitle you to give up possession of the dwelling.

Death of a sole contract-holder

33. (1) If you are sole contract-holder:

- a) one month after your death—
- b) if earlier, when the landlord gives notice of the death by the authorised persons.

27 The law of frustration would operate where you are unable to comply with the contract on your side due to a circumstance rendering it impossible to do so.

28 A repudiatory breach would be a breach of contract which is sufficiently serious to justify its immediate termination by you, for example due to the landlord's conduct. Ultimately, the court would decide, if there is a dispute, whether a breach is repudiatory.



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- (2) The authorised persons are—
a) your personal representative;
b) the permitted occupier or any other person who has been given a handover (if any) acting together.
- (3) The contract does not end if any person dies or becomes incapable of fulfilling their obligations under the contract (unless another person qualified to succeed) of the Act one or more persons are qualified to succeed.

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- (4) The contract does not end if, after your death, the family property order²⁹ has effect which requires the contract to be transferred to another person.
- (5) If, after your death, the family property order²⁹ has effect and there is no person qualified to succeed you, the contract ends.
a) when the order ceases;
b) if later, at the time the contract ends, paragraph (1) of this term.

Contract-holders' obligations: *Contract-holders' obligations* (S)

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34. When you vacate the dwelling at the end of the tenancy, you must—
a) remove from the dwelling—
 (i) to you, or
 (ii) to any permitted occupier who has agreed to remain in occupation of the dwelling,

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29 Section 251 of the Act sets out the measures that may be taken by the court when it decides what happens to the family home after divorce or separation. The court may make many types of orders to resolve what happens to the family home after divorce or separation.

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- b) return any property belonging to you at the time of the occupation date, and
- c) return to the landlord all rent paid by you during the term of the contract, less any amount due to remain in occupation of the dwelling.

Repayment of rent or other consideration

35. The landlord must repay, within a reasonable time, any unpaid rent or other consideration which you have paid under this contract, to you upon presentation of notice of termination of this contract, to you any pre-arranged sum, or to you any sum paid for the dwelling after the date on which this contract ends.

Termination by contract-holding

Early termination by contract-holding

36. (1) You may end this contract at any time by giving notice to the landlord:
- a) the landlord giving you notice to end this contract under term 49(1), or
 - b) the occupation date.

(2) To end this contract under paragraph 55(1)(a) you must give notice to the landlord stating that you are ending this contract.

(3) On giving the notice to the landlord:

- a) cease to have any liability to the landlord.

- b) become entitled to other rights or obligations under the contract or other consideration given to the landlord in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Terminationofthecontractwiththeothercontract-holders(F+)

37. If there are joint contract-holders under this contract, this clause applies to the act of one or more of the joint contract-holders acting without the other joint contract-holders.

Terminationbythe landlord

Possessionclaims(F)

38. The landlord may make a claim to possession of the dwelling ("an application for possession claim") only in the circumstances set out in terms 40 to 45 and 54.

Possessionnotices (F+)

39. (1) This term applies in relation to a notice given by a contract-holder under any of the following terms:

- term 41 (in relation to a break notice);
- term 43 (in relation to a notice to quit);
- term 45 (in relation to a notice to end a tenancy).

- (2) The notice must (in addition to any other information which the claim will be made)—
 - state the landlord's intention to make a possession claim;
 - give particulars of the ground for the possession, and
 - state the date after which the landlord may make a possession claim.

Terminationbythe landlord

Breachofcontract(F+)

40. (1) If you breach this contract, the landlord may make a possession claim.

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(2) Section 209 of the Act provides that a court may make an order for possession on that ground unless it considers it reasonable to do otherwise (in accordance with Schedule 10 to the Act).

Restrictions on making a possession claim for a breach of contract (F+)

41. (1)

Before making a possession claim for a breach of contract, the landlady must give you a possession notice specifying that ground.

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(2) The landlady may make a possession claim for a breach of term 6 (anti-social behaviour and other prohibited behaviour) if she gives you a possession notice specifying a ground.

(3) The landlady may not make a possession claim under this contract before the end of the period of six months starting with the day on which she gives you a possession notice specifying a ground.

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(4) In either case, the landlady may not make a possession claim after the end of the period of six months starting with the day on which she gives you a possession notice.

Estate management grounds (F+)

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42. (1)

The landlady may make a possession claim for a breach of term 10 of the estate management grounds.

(2) The estate management grounds (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 8 to the Act) are included in the Annex to this contract.

(3) Section 210 of the Act provides that a court may make an order for possession on an estate management ground unless—

- it considers it reasonable to do otherwise (in accordance with Schedule 10 to the Act);

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- b) it is satisfied that suitable accommodation (what is suitable is to be determined in accordance with the relevant legislation) is available to you (or will be available to you when the order is made).

legislation (what is suitable is to be determined in accordance with the relevant legislation) is available to you (or will be available to you when the order is made).

- (4) If the court makes an order for possession of the dwelling (and on no other ground), the landlord must pay to you reasonable expenses likely to be incurred by you in moving from the dwelling.

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- (5) Paragraph (4) of this term does not apply if the court makes an order for possession on ground A or B (the development ground).

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Restrictions on making a possession order (section 42(estate management grounds)) (F+)

43. (1) Before making a possession order on ground A or B (the development ground), the landlord must give you a possession notice specifying:

the day on which the landlord must give you a possession notice specifying:

- (2) The landlord may not make the possession order if:
- before the end of the period specified in the notice, the landlord gives you the possession notice with the day on which the landlord must give you the possession notice;
 - after the end of the period specified in the notice, the landlord gives you the possession notice with that day.

the day on which the landlord must give you the possession notice with that day.

Penalties

Penalties for non-compliance with section 42(estate management grounds).

(3) If a development scheme is subject to conditions, the landlord may give you a notice if the conditions are met.

(4) The landlord may not give you a notice specifying estate management Ground G if:

- a) before the end of the period (or in the case of joint landlords, before the day on which the landlord became aware of the previous contract-holder's death, or
- b) after the end of the period, beginning with the day on which that day.

(5) The landlord may not give you a notice specifying estate management Ground H if:

Serious rent arrears (F+)

44. (1)

If you are seriously in arrears with your rent, the landlord can evict you from that ground make a possession claim.

(2) You are seriously in arrears with:

- a) where the rental period is less than four weeks, if at least eight weeks' rent is unpaid;
- b) where the rental period is more than four weeks, if at least six months' rent is unpaid;

31 Part 2 of Schedule 8 to the Act provides for the giving of notices by landlords under Ground B of the estate management group.

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- c) where the rental period is more than three months in arrears;
- d) where the rental period is more than three months in arrears.

(3) Section 216 of the Act provides that if you have Convention rights³² make a claim:

- a) were seriously in arrears at the time of the possession notice, and
- b) are seriously in arrears at the time of the possession claim.

Restrictions on making a possession claim

45. (1) Before making a possession claim under section 44, the landlord must give you a possession notice specifying that group:

- (2) The landlord may not make the claim:
 - a) before the end of the period specified in the notice; or
 - b) after the end of the period specified in the notice, but not with that day.

³² “Convention rights” are rights held under the European Convention on Human Rights, which were incorporated into domestic law by the Human Right Act 1998 (c. 42).

quarter’s rent is more than three months in arrears;

where the rental period is more than three months in arrears.

Section 216 of the Act provides that if you have Convention rights³² make a claim:

- a) were seriously in arrears at the time of the possession notice, and
- b) are seriously in arrears at the time of the possession claim.

Restrictions on making a possession claim

45. (1) Before making a possession claim under section 44, the landlord must give you a possession notice specifying that group:

- (2) The landlord may not make the claim:
 - a) before the end of the period specified in the notice; or
 - b) after the end of the period specified in the notice, but not with that day.

³² “Convention rights” are rights held under the European Convention on Human Rights, which were incorporated into domestic law by the Human Right Act 1998 (c. 42).

Court's Order for possession

Effect of order for possession (F)

46. (1) If the court makes an order requiring you to give up possession of the dwelling on a date specified in the order, this contract ends—

- a) if you give up possession before that date, on that date,
- b) if you give up possession on or after that date but before the order for possession is executed, on the date the possession of the dwelling, or
- c) if you do not give up possession before the order for possession is executed, when the order is executed.

(2) Paragraph (3) of this term applies—

- a) it is a condition of the order that you remain in the dwelling to one or more joint holders (but not all of them), and
- b) that joint contract-holders (other than the joint holders) continue to own the dwelling after the occupation date of the new contract.

(3) This contract ends immediately on the date of the new contract.

Variation

Variation (F—except 47(1)(a) where it is a variation of a tenancy)

47. (1) This contract may not be varied—

- a) by agreement between you and the other joint holders, unless the variation is made under section 10 of the Senedd Cymru or an Act of Parliament or regulations made under it.
- b) by or as a result of an enactment.

(2) A variation of this contract (other than a variation made under an enactment) must be in accordance with term 48.

Limitation on variation (F)

48. (1)

The fundamental terms of this contract may not be varied (except by or as a result of an enactment such as a Statute of the Senedd or a Welsh Ministers' Order made under the Senedd Cymru or the National Assembly for Wales Act) if no variation of this term, may not be varied (except by or as a result of an enactment such as a Statute of the Senedd or a Welsh Ministers' Order made under the Senedd Cymru or the National Assembly for Wales Act) if no variation

(2) The fundamental terms to which section 48(2) applies are—

- a) term 5 (requirement to pay rent),
- b) term 6 (anti-social behaviour and/or conduct),
- c) term 29 (joint contract-making),
- d) term 30 (permissible late payment),
- e) term 33 (death of sole covenantee),
- f) term 38 (possession clause),
- g) term 47(1)(b) and (2),
- h) this term, and
- i) term 54 (false statement by a landlord to make a contract) if no variation of this term, may not be varied (except by or as a result of an enactment such as a Statute of the Senedd or a Welsh Ministers' Order made under the Senedd Cymru or the National Assembly for Wales Act).

(3) A variation of any other fundamental term of this contract (except by or as a result of an enactment such as a Statute of the Senedd or a Welsh Ministers' Order made by the Welsh Ministers) is of no effect—

- a) unless as a result of the variation of this term, the fundamental terms of the contract (with or without modification) remain incorporated with the contract.
- (i) the fundamental terms of the contract (with or without modification) remain incorporated with the contract.

(ii) the fundamental term of this contract is incorporated in the written statement; or it is proved;

b) if the variation (regardless of whether it is a variation or a renewal) would render the fundamental term of this contract incompatible with paragraph (2) of this term.

(4) A variation of a term of this contract is not incompatible with a fundamental term (under paragraph (3)(a) of this term) if the variation is reasonable in all the circumstances and it is a variation away from a fundamental term that would avoid the application of that term.

(5) Paragraph (4) of this term does not affect the operation of section 10 of the Consumer Protection Act.

Written statements and the right to receive information

Written statements(F+)

49. (1)

The landlord must give you a written statement before the end of the period of 14 days starting with the occupation date.

(2) If there is a change in the identity of the person who is the joint-landlord under this contract, the landlord must give you a written statement of this fact before the end of the period of 14 days starting with—

- the day on which the identity of the joint-landlords changes, or
- if later, the day on which one or more of the joint-landlords (or anyone of them) becomes aware that the joint-landlord has changed.

(3) The landlord may not charge you for giving you a written statement under paragraph (1) or (2) of this term.

(4) You may request a further written statement at any time.

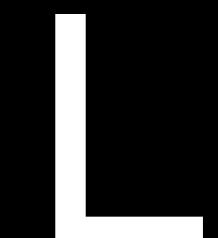
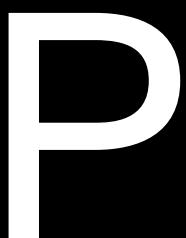
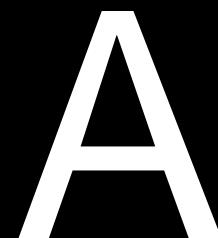
(5) The landlord may charge you for giving you a further written statement.

incorporates is not incorporated in the written statement. The effect of this is that your position is unaffected by the variation.

paragraph (3)(a) of this term) would render the fundamental term set out in paragraph (2) of this term.

A variation of a term of this contract incompatible with a fundamental term (under paragraph (3)(a) of this term) is also varied in accordance with this term.

debt by reason of a result of an enactment.



(6) The landlord must give you the statement of account before the end of the period of 14 days starting with—

- a) the day of the request, or
- b) if the landlord charges a fee, the day you pay the fee.

Written statement of variation (F+)

50. (1) If this contract is varied the landlord must, within the relevant period, give you—

- a) a written statement of the changes;
- b) a written statement of the new term.

(2) The relevant period is the period starting with the day on which this contract is varied.

(3) The landlord may not charge a fee for giving the statement under paragraph (1) of this term.

Provision of information by landlord (F+)

51. (1) The landlord must, before the end of the period of 14 days starting with the occupation date, give you notice of an address to which documents that are intended for the landlord.

(2) If there is a change in the identity of the landlord, starting with the day on which the new landlord becomes the landlord, give you notice of the change in identity and of the new address to which documents that are intended for the new landlord.

(3) If the address to which you may send documents that are intended for the landlord changes, starting with the day on which the address changes, give you notice of the new address.

Compensation for breach of tenancy (F+)

52. (1) If the landlord fails to comply with section 51, the landlord is liable to pay you compensation under section 87 of the Act.

(2) The compensation is payable at the relevant date and every day after the relevant date until—

- a) the day on which the landlord has given notice under section 6(1)(b) of the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998, or
- b) if earlier, the last day of the month starting with the relevant date.

(3) Interest on the compensation is payable from the day referred to in paragraph (2).

(4) The interest starts to run on the day referred to in paragraph (2)(b) of this term at the rate prevailing on the day referred to in section 6 of the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998 at the end of that day.

(5) The relevant date is the first day of the month in which the landlord was required to give the notice.

Inventory(S)

53. (1) The landlord must provide you with an inventory by which the landlord must provide you with an inventory within 14 days of the end of the tenancy under this contract in accordance with section 49.

(2) The inventory must set out the state of the dwelling, including all fixtures and fittings and must describe their condition as at the end of the tenancy.

(3) If you disagree with the information in the inventory, you may provide comments to the landlord.

(4) Where no comments are received by the landlord within 14 days, the inventory is deemed accurate.

(5) Where comments are received by the landlord within 14 days, the landlord must either—

- a) amend the inventory in accordance with your comments and send the amended inventory to you, or

- b) inform you that the comments have been received and send the original inventory or the revised inventory, or
- c) amend the inventory in accordance with your comments and send the amended inventory to you, together with a copy of the comments and send the amended inventory to you, together with a copy of the comments which have not been agreed.

Other matters

False statement inducing landlord to enter into contract (F)

54. (1) If the landlord is induced to make a relevant false statement—
- a) you are to be treated as having made the statement in the contract, and
 - b) the landlord may accordingly claim on the ground in term 40 (breach of contract).

(2) A relevant false statement is one made negligently or recklessly by—

- a) you, or
- b) another person acting at your direction.

Forms of notices etc. (F+)

55. (1) Any notice, statement or other document in connection with a tenancy or a tenancy contract must be in writing.

(2) Sections 236³⁴ and 237 of the Act provide for the form of notices and other documents, and about how to deliver or send them. A notice or document must be given in the form required or authorised by the Welsh Government if a person has been given a notice or document by the Welsh Government under section 236 or 237.

Passing notices etc. to the landlord

56. You must—

- a) keep safe any notices, documents or other correspondence delivered to the dwelling address specified in the tenancy agreement, generally, and
- b) as soon as is reasonable, give the landlord the original copies of any such notices, orders or other correspondence.

³⁴ Section 236 of the Act provides for the Welsh Government giving a notice or document in the form required or authorised by the Welsh Government. Where the form of a notice or document has been prescribed by the Welsh Government, it can be found on the Welsh Government's website.

ANNEX

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ESTATE MANAGEMENT GROUNDS

REDEVELOPMENT GROUNDS

Ground A (building works)

- 1 The landlord intends, whether or not in connection with the obtaining possession of the dwelling –
- (a) to demolish the dwelling or part of the building comprising the dwelling;
 - (b) to carry out works on land treated as part of the dwelling,
- and cannot reasonably do so without the intention of obtaining possession of the dwelling.

Ground B (redevelopment schemes)

- 2 (1) This ground arises if either the first condition or the second condition.
- (2) The first condition is that there is a proposed redevelopment scheme for the area in which the dwelling is situated and the landlord intends within that part in accordance with the scheme to obtain possession to dispose of the dwelling in accordance with Part 2 of this Schedule.
- (3) The second condition is that the dwelling is in such an area and the landlord intends within that part in accordance with the scheme to obtain possession to dispose of the dwelling for that purpose reasonably requires the intention of obtaining possession of the dwelling.

35 This Annex replicates the provisions in Part 1 of the Standard Tenancy Agreement for standard occupation contracts.

amendments as appropriate in relation to a periodic tenancy.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION GROUP

Ground C (charities)

- 3 (1) The landlord is a charitable person who would conflict with the charitable purpose of the charity.

(2) But this ground is not available if the contract was made and a charitable purpose was agreed (whether L or another person).

(3) In this paragraph “charitable person” means a person who is not a charitable person within the meaning as in the Charities Act 2011 (c. 25) (see section 1 of that Act).

Ground D (dwelling suitable for disal)

- 4 The dwelling has features which make it suitable for occupation by a physically disabled person or persons, and –

 - (a) there is no likelihood of a person being unable to get about in the dwelling, and
 - (b) the landlord or other person in occupation of the dwelling makes arrangements for occupation by such a person (or by such a person's family).

Ground E (housing associations and local government)

- 5 (1) The landlord is a holder of a tenancy available only for occupation by persons who are difficult to house, and—

 - (a) either there is a local authority or a housing authority holding a dwelling under a tenancy;
 - (b) the landlord holds a tenancy (whether alone or in partnership);

(2) A person is difficult to house because circumstances make it difficult for him or her to satisfy his or her need for housing.

Part 2
Section 1
Housing trust which makes dwellings available (not for occupation by others) by people who are difficult to house, and—

 - (a) either there is a local authority or a housing authority holding a dwelling under a tenancy;
 - (b) the landlord holds a tenancy (whether alone or in partnership);

for occupation by such a person or his or her family).

circumstances (other than financial difficulties) make it difficult for him or her to satisfy his or her need for housing.

Ground F (groups of dwellings for people)

- 6 The dwelling constitutes
landlord to make available
(a) a social service group of dwellings which it is the practice of the
sons with special needs and –
provided in close proximity to the
sons with those special needs.

(b) there is no dwelling, and

(c) the landlord
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e special needs living in the

or occupation by a person who has
members of his or her family).

UNDER-OCCUPATION GROUNDS

Ground G (reserve successors)

- 7 The contract-holder succeeds to the successor (see section 10) dwelling is more extensive

n contract under section 73 as a accommodation comprised in the uired by the contract-holder.

Ground H (joint contract-holders)

- 8 (1) This ground arises if

The second condition are met.

- (2) The first condition is
the contract have been e:

der's rights and obligations under
—

- (a) section 111,
 - (b) section 225

or

- ### (3) The second condition

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- (a) the accomm
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The dwelling is more extensive than
the contract-holder (or contract-

- (b) where the landholder does not meet the landlord's criteria

landlord, the remaining contract-holders do not) meet the using accommodation.

OTHER ESTATE MANAGEMENT RISKS

Ground I (other estate management r

- 9 (1) This ground arises
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or some other substantial estate in possession of the dwelling.

- ## (2) An estate management

lar, relate to—

- (a) all or part of
 - (b) any other connected, whether or not used, or in an

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y or the purposes for which they