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Appendix 1

Temporary Exemptions for Short Term Lets Licence

Under paragraph 1A of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the Licensing Authority may grant a temporary exemption to the requirement to have a Short Term Let (“STL”) licence.

The Licensing Authority may grant a temporary exemption to the requirement to obtain a STL licence during the period of the Commonwealth Games 2026. The period of the Commonwealth Games 2026 is 23 July 2026 to 2 August 2026 however for the purposes of this policy in relation to temporary exemptions for STLs it would be for the period 22 July 2026 to 3 August 2026 (both dates inclusive). Temporary exemptions may be issued for all types of STL – home sharing, home letting, secondary letting, and home sharing and home letting. Temporary exemptions will not be issued for any other period.

Applications

Applicants who wish to apply for a temporary exemption for the period of the Commonwealth Games must complete and submit the application form to the Licensing Authority and pay the application fee.

Links with Planning

Applicants applying for a STL temporary exemption for the period of the Commonwealth Games should ensure they are compliant with the Planning Authority’s Planning Policy on Short Term Lets.

Consultation

Under the legislation no members of the public can object to a temporary exemption. There is also no requirement for the applicant to display a site notice in relation to the exemption application.

The Licensing Authority may however consult with Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in relation to temporary exemptions.

Timescale

The Licensing Authority will aim to process and determine a temporary exemption application within 4 months of the completed application form and fee (whichever is the later) being received.

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