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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2019 No. 32**

**HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION**

**The Houses in Multiple Occupation (Code of Practice) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Made* - - - - - *7th March 2019*

*Coming into operation* *1st April 2019*

The Department for Communities makes the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 63(1) of the Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016<sup>(1)</sup> (“the Act”):

In accordance with section 63(6) of the Act, the Department has been satisfied that the Code has been published in a manner that the Department considers appropriate for the purposes of bringing the Code to the attention of those likely to be affected by it.

The Department has consulted in accordance with section 63(7) of the Act.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Houses in Multiple Occupation (Code of Practice) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019 and shall come into operation on 1 April 2019.

**Code of Practice**

2. The Code of Practice entitled “The Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016: Code of Practice for the Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation” is hereby approved by the Department.

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(1) 2016 c.22 (N.I.); see section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 c.5 (N.I.)

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 7th March 2019.

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Communities

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

Section 63(1) of the Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 provides that the Department may make regulations approving a Code of Practice for the management of Houses of Multiple Occupancy (“HMOs”).

Section 63(6) of the Act provides that the Department may approve such a code only if it has been satisfied that the code has been published in a manner that the Department considers appropriate for the purposes of bringing the Code to the attention of those likely to be affected by it or that arrangements have been made for the Code to be so published.

Section 63(7) of the Act requires the Department to consult with persons involved in the management of HMOs and persons occupying HMOs before approving a Code.

These Regulations duly approve a Code of Practice entitled “The Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (Northern Ireland) 2016: Code of Practice for the Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation”.