

Short Term Let

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Making changes to your croft - Short Term Let (March 2021)

Regulatory Applications

DELEGATED DECISION MAKING AND ESCALATING CASES

Where an application complies with the published Commission policy and delegation parameters, a decision may, generally, be taken by the Case Officer at Tier One of the Commission's Scheme of Delegation as approval of such applications has been delegated to those officials. See our website for how a decision is taken on your application

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Cases which do not meet these guidelines, generally, require us to collect further information e.g. obtaining a SGRPID report. The decision making for such cases is escalated to a panel of three senior officials at Tier Two and potentially escalated further to a Casework Group of Commissioners at Tier Three. As a result, these cases will tend to take longer for the Commission to consider.

Where the Commission has concerns about the length of the term of the proposed short term let, it may enter into discussions with the applicant with a view to modifying their application by reducing the term applied for. Where an applicant makes such a modification, the case could still be dealt with at the Tier One level of decision making. However, it should be noted that modification of any application will not guarantee that the decision will be taken at Tier One as it may have to be escalated for other reasons, e.g. valid objections may be received following the advertising of the application.



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Term Lets on our
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Not complying with your duty to be resident?

Where an applicant is not ordinarily resident on or within 32 kms of their croft and is unwilling to modify their application, it is likely that the case will be escalated to either Tier Two or Tier Three where the application can be approved, approved for a reduced term or refused. Although, every application is considered by the Commission on its own circumstances and the evidence gathered during the processing of the case.

Applications for Commission consent to a short term let of a croft are generally escalated to Tier Two and/or Tier Three where the following apply:

Policy	Tier One Parameters
<p>The Commission adopted the following Policy at a meeting of the full Board on 25 June 2020:</p> <p><i>The Commission should normally restrict short term letting applications from non-resident owner-occupied crofters to five years or less.</i></p>	<p>The parameters for delegation require that:</p> <p>All applications by non-resident owner-occupier crofters for consent to a short term let of their owner-occupied crofts for a period longer than five years will require to be escalated to Tier Two.</p> <p>And</p> <p>All applications by non-resident owner-occupier crofters for consent to a second or subsequent short term let of their owner-occupied crofts for any period of time will require to be escalated to Tier Two.</p>