

Succession and Assignment

Succession

On the death of a tenant, a member of the family may, in some circumstances, be able to take over the tenancy, becoming the new tenant and acquiring all the rights and responsibilities of the tenancy.

Following the death of the tenant, the person left living in the property should inform their Housing Officer as soon as possible. They will need to take along a copy of the Death Certificate. We will arrange to interview the person, and will make a decision as soon as possible with regard to the succession.

This is a complex area, and a succession will not be allowed in every case. For further information in relation to succession, please contact your Housing Officer. To contact your Housing Officer via the website, go to 'How to contact us' web page and click on the 'Estate Management / Tenancy Enquiries' link.

Assignment

Assignment is a transfer of tenancy to another person which is as a result of a request from the tenant to hand over the tenancy (assign it), rather than as a result of the death of the tenant (succession).

Essentially the same rules apply to an assignment as to a succession. If you wish to discuss the possibility of assigning your tenancy you should contact your local housing office.

More about contacting us

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