Landlords...

Does your rented property need a licence?

The definition of a licensable House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) has changed

HMOs were classed as buildings of three or more storeys, housing five or more people, from two or more households.

The new licensable HMO definition removes the rule of 'three or more storeys' so licensable HMOs are now buildings that house five or more people, forming two or more households, regardless of the number of storeys.

Landlords have until **October 1 2018** to apply for a licence. After this date, any landlords with HMOs not properly licensed could face prosecution or a civil penalty.



