

Course Title	Masterclass – ‘Right to Buy’ and ‘Right to Acquire’ Fraud	Duration	One day	Housing Investigation
Aim	<p>As the saying has it, “When It’s Gone, It’s Gone” and, no, this time we’re not talking about a special offer at the local supermarket! It’s an accepted fact that there is a shortage of social housing and that stock is inevitably depleted by the exercise of <u>lawful</u> right to buy or acquire. When that application to buy is <u>fraudulent</u>, this really is an insult to those waiting for a home.</p> <p>This event looks in detail at the rules for both schemes and the common methods used to abuse the schemes. It examines the gathering of information during the application stage, the importance of robust enquiries, implications of the <i>anti-money laundering regime</i>, reasons for which an application may be refused, the criminal investigation and civil liability and enforcement.</p> <p>Whether you are seeking to implement a secure front end to the process, prosecute offenders, or recover property or monies, this course is for you!</p>			
Prerequisites	None			
Outcome		Content		
Know the rules governing the <i>right to buy</i> and <i>right to acquire</i> schemes, and identify the common precursors to fraud.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The governing legislation• The <i>right to buy</i> and <i>right to acquire</i> rules• Fraudulent precursors – early warning signs for fraud• Non-tenants who may exercise the rights• Gathering supplementary information• A staged approach to verifying of the application		
Examine <i>right to buy</i> / <i>acquire</i> scenarios and identify those criteria that are commonly used to perpetrate fraud.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corrupt sources of funds• <i>Deferred resale agreements</i>• ‘Double dipping’ discounts on multiple purchases• Undischarged bankruptcies• Family members claiming residence• Concealment of tenancy breaches• Fraudulent initial housing applications		
Identify the criminal offences that may be committed and describe the evidence that is required to prove each offence.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fraud offences• Theft and associated offences• Offences relating to false documentation• Aiding, abetting, counselling and procuring the commission of offences• Attempts and conspiracy• Gathering and presenting evidence lawfully		
Identify cases where prevention is possible and those in which post-sale recovery of property or funds is possible, describing the processes concerned.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serving notices to frustrate unlawful purchases• Tracking past sales, to ensure compliance with the rules• Using the civil courts, to prevent unlawful disposal of properties• Recovering discounts from purchasers and others• Recovery of properties through the courts• POCA in criminal cases		
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