

PROVIDED THAT

“Provided that” has an idiomatic meaning as a phrase that introduces a proviso.

A proviso can be a number of things, including a condition, an exception and a qualification.

The most common idiomatic meaning is *“on the condition that”*. This is how “provided that” is usually understood in everyday English. Here are some examples:

EXAMPLES

- ❑ You may go to the party provided that you're home by 12.00.
- ❑ You can drive a car provided that you have a valid licence.
- ❑ You may produce your own version of the form, provided that the content is the same as in the attached template.

If you omit “that” the meaning stays the same.

A less common meaning is “with the exception that”. This meaning is rarely used outside of legal writing. E.g.:

If the Deposit is not paid, the Seller has the right to rescind this Agreement by delivering written notice to the Purchaser within 30 days of the date of this Agreement, provided that such rescission right is not effective if the Seller has rescinded the Preliminary Agreement for the Property.

(i.e. If the Deposit is not paid the Seller has the right to rescind this Agreement except if the Seller has already rescinded the Preliminary Agreement.)

All the above comments apply to the Properties, provided that the comments concerning the Expropriation Decision do not apply as there was no equivalent for the Properties.

(i.e. All the above comments)

PROVIDED (THAT) = purch , a condizione che,

Used to say what must happen or be done to make it possible for something else to happen

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Provided (that):

1. We'll be there at about 7.30, provided that there's a suitable train.
2. Provided that there are enough seats, anyone can come on the trip.
3. Provided that the boat leaves on time, we should reach France by morning.

The phrase **“providing that”** is sometimes used as an alternative to “provided that”. Both mean the same thing and both are correct, but **“provided that”** is the more popular alternative.