
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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COUNCIL TAX, WALES RATING, WALES

**The Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rating
(Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2011**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21 February 2011</i>
<i>Laid before the National Assembly for Wales</i>	- -	<i>25 February 2011</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1 April 2011</i>

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by:

- (a) sections 143(2) and 146(6) of, and paragraphs 1 and 3(3) of Schedule 9 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1), and
 - (b) section 113(2) of, and paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 17 and 20 of Schedule 4 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1992(2),
- and now vested in them(3).

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is The Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rating (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2011 and they come into force on 1 April 2011.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to billing authorities(4) in Wales.

(3) These Regulations do not apply to—

- (a) an application for a liability order instituted before 1 April 2011, or

(1) 1988 c. 41.Paragraph 1 of Schedule 9 has been prospectively amended by paragraph 89 of Schedule 13 to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 (c. 15). Paragraph 3(3) was amended by paragraph 87(2)(b) of Schedule 13 to the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c. 14).

(2) 1992 c. 14.Paragraph 1 of Schedule 4 has been prospectively amended by paragraph 107(2) of Schedule 13 to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007.

(3) These powers are now vested in the Welsh Ministers so far as they are exercisable in relation to Wales. They were previously transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by article 2 of the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672); see the entries in Schedule 1 for the Local Government Finance Act 1988 and the Local Government Finance Act 1992. By virtue of paragraphs 30 and 32 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32), they were transferred to the Welsh Ministers.

(4) The term “billing authority” is defined in section 144(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 and section 69(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. The definition in section 144(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 operates by reference to Part 1 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

- (b) an application which is of a type mentioned in the tables substituted by the Schedules to these Regulations which is made before 1 April 2011.

Amendment of the Non-Domestic Rating (Collection and Enforcement) (Local Lists) Regulations 1989

2.—(1) The Non-Domestic Rating (Collection and Enforcement) (Local Lists) Regulations 1989(5) are amended as follows.

- (2) In regulation 12 (application for liability order)—
 - (a) in paragraph (6)(b), after “the order” insert “(which costs, including those of instituting the application under paragraph (2), are not to exceed the prescribed amount of £70)”;
 - (b) in paragraph (7), after “the application” insert “(which costs, including those of instituting the application under paragraph (2), are not to exceed the prescribed amount of £70)”.
- (3) For Schedule 4 substitute the schedule in Schedule 1 to these Regulations.

Amendment of the Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992

3.—(1) The Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992(6) are amended as follows.

- (2) In regulation 34 (application for liability order)—
 - (a) in paragraph (7)(b), after “the order” insert “(which costs, including those of instituting the application under paragraph (2), are not to exceed the prescribed amount of £70)”;
 - (b) in paragraph (8), after “the application” insert “(which costs, including those of instituting the application under paragraph (2), are not to exceed the prescribed amount of £70)”.
- (3) For Schedule 6 substitute the schedule in Schedule 2 to these Regulations.

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(5) S.I. 1989/1058. Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1998/3089, 1990/145, 1992/474, 1993/616, 1998/3089, 2003/1714 (W.182).

(6) S.I. 1992/613. Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1992/3008, 1994/505, 1998/295, 2003/1715 (W.183).

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SCHEDULE 1

“SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 16(6A) and (6B)

Costs connected with committal

Application	Maximum Costs
For making an application for a warrant of commitment	£305.00
For making an application for a warrant of arrest	£145.00.”

SCHEDULE 2

“SCHEDULE 6

Regulation 47(6A) and (6B)

Costs connected with committal

Application	Maximum Costs
For making an application for a warrant of commitment	£305.00
For making an application for a warrant of arrest	£145.00.”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make amendments to the Non-Domestic Rating (Collection and Enforcement) (Local Lists) Regulations 1989 (S.I. 1989/1058) (“the 1989 Regulations”) and the Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992 (S.I. 1992/613) (“the 1992 Regulations”). In relation to both sets of Regulations

- there are prescribed maxima for the costs which a billing authority may recover in connection with applications for liability orders; and
- the costs connected with committal that a billing authority can in certain circumstances recover are increased.

The Regulations come into force on 1 April 2011 and apply in relation to billing authorities in Wales (regulation 1).

Regulation 2 amends the 1989 Regulations (relating to non-domestic rating). The maximum amount which can be allowed for billing authorities for costs in connection with an application for a liability order, including the costs for instituting the application, is prescribed as £70. Schedule 4 to the 1989

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Regulations (costs connected with committal) is substituted by the schedule in Schedule 1 to these Regulations.

Regulation 3 amends the 1992 Regulations (relating to council tax). The maximum amount which can be allowed for billing authorities for costs in connection with an application for a liability order, including the costs for instituting the application, is prescribed as £70. Schedule 6 to the 1992 Regulations (costs connected with committal) is substituted by the schedule in Schedule 2 to these Regulations.