

# STATUTORY RULES OF A GENERAL CHARACTER ISSUED IN 1975

1975 No. 1

## HOUSING

### Housing (Improvement Grants) Order (Northern Ireland) 1975

*Made* . . . . . 2nd January 1975

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 22nd January 1975

*To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of  
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Planning<sup>(a)</sup> in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 5, 7, 15, 18 and 19 of the Housing Act (Northern Ireland) 1971<sup>(b)</sup> (in this Order referred to as "the Act") and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:

#### *Citation and commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the Housing (Improvement Grants) Order (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 22nd January 1975 (in this Order referred to as "the relevant date").

#### *Application*

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), this Order shall apply to works eligible for financial assistance under the Act which have not been begun before the relevant date.

(2) For the purposes of Articles 4 and 5, the provisos to Articles 7 and 8(1), and Article 8(2), this Order shall apply to applications approved after the relevant date.

#### *Amount of improvement grant*

3. In section 5(2) of the Act for "£1,000" and "£1,200" there shall be substituted respectively "£1,600" and "£1,850".

#### *Improvement contributions*

4. In section 15(2) of the Act for "one-half" there shall be substituted "three-quarters" and in section 15(3) and 15(4) for "£1,000" and "£1,250" there shall be substituted respectively "£3,000" and "£3,500".

#### *Standard contributions*

5. In section 16(2) of the Act for "one-half" there shall be substituted "three-quarters".

#### *Arrangements with housing associations for the improvement of housing*

6. In section 18(6) and 18(7) of the Act for "£1,000" and "£1,250" there shall be substituted respectively "£2,000" and "£2,400".

#### *Table of standard amenities*

7. For Part I of Schedule 1 to the Act there shall be substituted the following:

(a) Formerly the Ministry of Development for Northern Ireland; see S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504

(b) 1971. c. 16 (N.I.)

## "PART I

## TABLE OF STANDARD AMENITIES

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Maximum amount allowed (subject to Part III of this Schedule)</i>
1.	A fixed bath or shower . . . . .	£50
2.	A hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower . . . . .	£70
3.	A wash-hand basin . . . . .	£25
4.	A hot and cold water supply at a wash-hand basin . . . . .	£35
5.	A sink . . . . .	£50
6.	A hot and cold water supply at a sink . . . . .	£45
7.	A water closet . . . . .	£75"

provided that, for the purposes of section 16 of the Act, the amounts in the third column shall be respectively "£75", "£105", "£37.50", "£52.50", "£75", "£67.50" and "£112.50".

*Limit on amount of Standard Grant or Standard Contribution*

8.—(1) In paragraph 3 of Part III of Schedule 1 to the Act for "£450" there shall be substituted "£750": provided that, for the purposes of section 16 of the Act, the amount thus substituted shall be "£1,125".

(2) For the purposes of section 16 of the Act, in paragraphs 5(2), 6(2) and 7(2) of Part III of Schedule 1 for "one half" there shall be substituted "three-quarters".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Planning for Northern Ireland this 2nd day of January 1975.

(L.S.)

W. P. McIlmoyle,

Assistant Secretary.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)*

This Order provides for increases in the amounts of financial assistance from public funds under the Housing Act (Northern Ireland) 1971 towards the cost of improvement of houses, and the provision of new dwellings by conversion, by private persons, housing associations and the Northern Ireland Housing Executive.