
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2010 No. 195

The Census Order (Northern Ireland) 2010

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Census Act (Northern Ireland) 1969;

“census day” means 27th March 2011;

“census night” means the night of 27th March to 28th March 2011;

“dwelling” includes part of a dwelling and any caravan, houseboat, temporary building or other structure used as living accommodation;

“household” means one person living alone or a group of people (whether or not related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and any one or more of the following—

- (a) living room,
- (b) sitting room,
- (c) dining area;

“householder” in relation to an address means a person who is a usual resident at that address and either—

- (a) owns or rents accommodation at that address, or
- (b) is responsible for paying household bills and expenses there, or both and “joint householder” is to be interpreted accordingly;

“individual return”, in relation to any person, means a return made with respect to that person.

(2) For the purposes of this Order—

(a) a person is a usual resident at an address in Northern Ireland if any of the following applies—

- (i) except where paragraphs (iii), (iv) or (v) applies, the address is the usual address of that person, whether as a member of the household, paying guest, boarder, employee or otherwise;
- (ii) that person spends census night at the address and has no usual address, whether in Northern Ireland, or elsewhere;
- (iii) in the case of Groups B and C that person has resided or intends to reside in the premises at the address for a period of 6 months or more beginning on or before census day;
- (iv) that person is registered or otherwise enrolled as a full-time pupil or student at an educational institution and the address is a term-time address;
- (v) in the case of Group E, that person is spending a period of 6 months or more in custody whether at the address or elsewhere; or
- (vi) in the case of Group F, paragraph (i) does not apply and that person has resided or intends to reside in the premises at the address for a period of 6 months or more beginning on or before census day;

- (b) a person is a reckonable visitor at an address in Northern Ireland if sub-paragraph (a) does not apply and the person spends census night at that address.
- (3) In this Order, any reference to a Group is a reference to that Group as specified in Schedule 1.