
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Debt Arrangement Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2004

PART 1

GENERAL

Interpretation: general

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Debt Arrangement and Attachment (Scotland) Act 2002;

“the 1985 Act” means the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985⁽¹⁾;

“the 1986 Act” means the Insolvency Act 1986⁽²⁾;

“continuing liability” means a payment due by a debtor, other than arrears of such a payment, in respect of—

- (a) a periodic payment due under a loan agreement secured by a standard security (mortgage payment);
- (b) rent;
- (c) an insurance premium;
- (d) a duty, local or general tax, or rate;
- (e) domestic water charge or domestic sewerage charge;
- (f) any aliment, periodical allowance, child maintenance or child support;
- (g) the supply of electricity, gas, or fixed line telephone services;
- (h) heating oil or solid fuel;
- (i) a hire purchase or conditional sale agreement; and
- (j) a criminal fine;

“creditor” means, unless the context requires otherwise, a creditor other than a creditor in respect of—

- (a) a continuing liability;
- (b) a sum secured by a standard security, other than a sum specified in regulation 3(b)(i); or
- (c) a contingent liability that has not become purified;

“DAS administrator” means—

- (a) the Scottish Ministers; or
- (b) any person or body who may exercise the functions of the Scottish Ministers by virtue of an order made under section 8 (functions of the Scottish Ministers) of the Act;

(1) 1985 c. 66.

(2) 1986 c. 45.

“DAS Register” means the Debt Arrangement Scheme Register maintained under regulation 17;

“decree” and “document of debt” shall be construed in accordance with section 10(5) (attachment) of the Act;

“MATRICS” means Money Advice Training, Resources, Information and Consultancy Services, administered jointly by Citizens Advice Scotland of 1st Floor, Spectrum House, 2 Powderhall Road, Edinburgh EH7 4GB, and Money Advice Scotland of Suite 306, Pentagon Centre, 36 Washington Street, Glasgow, G3 8AZ;

“money adviser” has the same meaning as in section 9(1) (interpretation of part) of the Act;

“payments distributor” means a person or body approved by the Scottish Ministers for the purpose of performing the functions of a payments distributor under the Act;

“protected trust deed” shall be construed in accordance with paragraph 8 of Schedule 5 (voluntary trust deeds for creditors) to the 1985 Act;

“sheriff” and “sheriff principal” mean respectively the sheriff of the sheriff court district, and the sheriff principal of the sheriffdom, in which a debtor habitually resides;

“standard security” means the form of heritable security enabled under section 9 of the Conveyancing and Feudal Reform (Scotland) Act 1970(3); and

“trust deed” has the same meaning as in section 5(4A) of the 1985 Act(4).

(2) A form referred to by number in these Regulations means the form so numbered in Schedule 1, or a form of substantially the same effect with such variation as the circumstances may require.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to anything done in writing or produced in written form includes a reference to an electronic communication, as defined in the Electronic Communications Act 2000(5), which has been recorded and is consequently capable of being reproduced.

(3) 1970 c. 35. Section 9 has not been relevantly amended.

(4) 1985 c. 66. Section 4A was amended by the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1993 (c. 6), section 3.

(5) 2000 c. 7. Section 15 of the Electronic Communications Act 2000 (c. 7) contains a definition of “electronic communication”.