
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Provision of Water and Sewerage Services
(Reasonable Cost) (Scotland) Regulations 2015**

PART 2

WATER SERVICES: REASONABLE COST

Dwellings

3. For the purposes of section 6 of the 1980 Act, in determining what is a reasonable cost to take pipes affording a supply of wholesome water, where this is required for domestic purposes, to such point or points as will enable a building (or a part of it), which consists only of one or more dwellings, to be connected to the pipes (at a reasonable cost), the cost of taking the pipes (affording the supply) to the point or points is a reasonable cost only if the cost to Scottish Water does not exceed the amount determined by the formula—

$$\text{Amount} = \frac{C_w \times N_w}{r} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right)^{12} \right]$$

where—

“ C_w ” is the figure which is the average of—

- (a) the current charge (fixed as an annual charge) for or in connection with a supply of water to an unmetered dwelling in band B; and
- (b) the current charge (fixed as an annual charge) for or in connection with a supply of water to an unmetered dwelling in band C; and

“ N_w ” is the number of dwellings in the building (or, as the case may be, the part of it) which is to be connected to the pipes at the point or points in question.

Non-dwellings

4. For the purposes of section 6 of the 1980 Act, in determining what is a reasonable cost to take pipes affording a supply of wholesome water, where this is required for domestic purposes, to such point or points as will enable a building (or a part of it), which does not contain any dwellings, to be connected to the pipes (at a reasonable cost), the cost of taking the pipes (affording the supply) to the point or points is a reasonable cost only if the cost to Scottish Water does not exceed the amount determined by the formula—

$$\text{Amount} = \frac{U_{cw} \times V_{dom}}{r} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right)^6 \right]$$

where—

“*U_{cw}*” is the predicted average amount that water services providers are to be charged by Scottish Water per cubic metre of water supplied during the connection year, calculated using the formula in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1; and

“*V_{dom}*” is the relevant figure (expressed in cubic metres per annum) in the table in Schedule 2 which corresponds to the maximum number of persons to be employed at the building (or, as the case may be, the part of it) in question at any point in the connection year and to whether that building (or that part of it) has a toilet, shower or canteen (or a combination of these).

Calculating cost

- 5.—(1) In regulations 3 and 4, “the cost to Scottish Water” is the total of—
- (a) the costs which would be incurred by Scottish Water in taking pipes to the point or points referred to in regulation 3 or, as the case may be, regulation 4; and
 - (b) the costs which would be reasonably and necessarily incurred by Scottish Water to ensure that the pipes afford a supply of wholesome water sufficient for the domestic purposes of all owners and occupiers of the building (or the part of it) to be connected to the pipes.
- (2) In calculating the cost to Scottish Water for the purposes of regulations 3 and 4 the amount of any charge payable under a charges scheme must be left out of account.
- (3) In paragraph (1)(b), “owner” and “occupier” are to be construed in accordance with the meanings given to those terms in section 109(1) of the 1980 Act.