

## 1973 No. 143

## RATING AND VALUATION

## The Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1973

*Laid before Parliament in draft*

Made - - - - 31st January 1973

Coming into Operation 1st February 1973

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of powers conferred by paragraph 14 of Schedule 9 to the General Rate Act 1967(a) and now vested in him (b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following order in the terms of a draft which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:—

*Title and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st February 1973.

*Interpretation*

2.—(1) In this order—

“the 1968 order” means the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1968(c);

“the 1970 order” means the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1970(d);

and

“the 1972 order” means the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1972(e).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(f) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Limits of income*

3.—(1) The limit of income for the purposes of section 49(1)(b) of the General Rate Act 1967 shall, in relation to any rebate application in respect of the period beginning on 1st April 1973 and subsequent rebate periods, be the following amount of income, in place of the amount specified in paragraph 12 of schedule 9 to that Act as varied by the 1968 order, the 1970 order and the 1972 order, namely—

(a) if at the date of making of the application the applicant is married and living with his spouse, £429;

(b) in any other case, £351.

(2) The appropriate limit specified above shall be increased by £71·50 for every child, or for each of any children, who at the date of the making of the application, being a child of the applicant or in the applicant's care, usually

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(a) 1967 c.9.

(c) S.I. 1968/1066 (1968 II, p.2870).

(e) S.I. 1972/81 (1972 I, p.224).

(b) S.I. 1970/1681 (1970 III, p.5551).

(d) S.I. 1970/847 (1970 II, p. 2703).

(f) 1889 c. 63.

resides with the applicant, that amount being in place of the amount specified in paragraph 13 of the said schedule 9 as varied by the 1968 order and the 1972 order.

*Geoffrey Rippon,*  
Secretary of State for the Environment.

31st January 1973.

We approve this order.

*Tim Fortescue,*

*Hugh Rossi,*

Two of the Lords Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

31st January 1973.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

The Order raises the income limits governing entitlement to rate rebates in England and Wales. Under section 49 of the General Rate Act 1967 domestic occupiers are entitled to a rebate equal to two-thirds of the amount by which their reckonable rates for a six months rebate period exceed £3.75 provided their incomes are within the specified limits. The present limits of income within the relevant six months period, and the limits as raised by this Order, are set out below, with the weekly equivalents given in brackets.

				Present Limits	New Limits
Married couple	...	...	...	£383.50 (£14.75)	£429 (£16.50)
Single person	...	...	...	£312 (£12)	£351 (£13.50)
Addition for each child	...	...	...	£65 (£2.50)	£71.50 (£2.75)

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