

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1977 No. 2074 (S. 159)

HOUSING, SCOTLAND

**The Housing (Amounts of Approved Expense)
(Scotland) Order 1977***Laid before the House of Commons in draft**Made - - - - - 6th December 1977**Coming into Operation 19th December 1977*

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 5(1), 5(3), 11(9), 48(2) and 49(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1974(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby, with the consent of the Treasury, make the following order in terms of a draft which has been laid before the Commons House of Parliament and has been approved by resolution of that House:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Housing (Amounts of Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 19th December 1977.

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

Revocation

2. The Housing (Amount of Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1975(c) is hereby revoked.

Amounts of Approved Expense

3. In respect of any works eligible for financial assistance to which section 5(1) of the said Act of 1974 (which determines the maximum amount of approved expense for an improvement grant) applies, there shall be substituted in the said section 5(1) for the sum of three thousand seven hundred pounds, the sum of five thousand five hundred pounds.

4. In respect of any works eligible for financial assistance to which section 5(3) of the said Act of 1974 (which determines the maximum amount of approved expense for works of repair and replacement where an application for an improvement grant relates wholly or partly to the provision of standard amenities) applies, there shall be substituted in the said section 5(3) for the sum of eight hundred pounds, the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds.

(a) 1974 c. 45.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

(c) S.I. 1975/6 (1975 I, p.6).

5. In respect of any works eligible for financial assistance to which section 11(9) of the said Act of 1974 (which in relation to houses situated in housing action areas determines the maximum amount of approved expense for a repairs grant) applies, there shall be substituted in the said section 11(9) for the sum of eight hundred pounds, the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds.

Bruce Millan,

One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,
EDINBURGH
30th November 1977.

J. Dormand,

T. E. Graham,

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

We consent,
6th December 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

House improvement grants and repairs grants are made as a percentage of the approved expense of executing the works of house improvement, subject in each case to a maximum amount of approved expense specified in the Act or prescribed by order. This Order prescribes three new maximum amounts of approved expense.

Section 5(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1974 provides as enacted that the maximum amount of approved expense for which an improvement grant may be made shall be £2,400 for each house or such other amount as may be prescribed, and the Housing (Amount of Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order later prescribed a maximum amount of £3,700. This Order now revokes the Housing (Amount of Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1975 and prescribes a maximum amount of £5,500 for each house.

The Order also increases from £800 to £1,500 the maximum amounts of approved expense specified in sections 5(3) and 11(9) of the 1974 Act in relation respectively to works of repair associated with provision of standard amenities and to repairs grants for houses in housing action areas.

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