#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1992 No. 550

# The Council Tax (Situation and Valuation of Dwellings) Regulations 1992

## PART I

### GENERAL

#### Citation, commencement and interpretation

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Council Tax (Situation and Valuation of Dwellings) Regulations 1992 and shall come into force on 31st March 1992.

(2) In these Regulations-

"the Act" means the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

"the 1988 Act" means the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1);

"caravan" shall be construed in accordance with Part I of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960(**2**);

"composite hereditament" has the meaning assigned by section 64(9) of the 1988 Act;

"ground level" means the highest level of ground contiguous with-

- (a) in the case of a structure where sub-paragraph (b) does not apply, the structure; or
- (b) in the case of a structure which forms part of a larger structure, the larger structure; and

"single property" has the meaning given by the Council Tax (Chargeable Dwellings) Order 1992(**3**).

(3) References in these Regulations to the superficial extent of a caravan, houseboat or other structure are to be treated as references–

- (a) in the case of a caravan, to its floor area measured externally;
- (b) in the case of a houseboat, to its enclosed volume; and
- (c) in the case of any other structure-
  - (i) if the lowest floor of the structure is above ground level, to the floor area of the lowest floor measured externally;
  - (ii) if the whole of the structure is below ground level, to the floor area of the lowest floor measured internally;
  - (iii) if neither of the foregoing paragraphs applies, to the area of the structure measured externally on a horizontal plane at ground level.

<sup>(</sup>**1**) 1988 c. 41.

<sup>(</sup>**2**) 1960 c. 62.

<sup>(</sup>**3**) S.I. 1992/549.

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