STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 997 (S. 41)

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE, SCOTLAND

The Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994

Made	-	-	-	-		28th March 1994
Coming	into	force	2	-	-	11th April 1994

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 11(2), 36(1) and (2)(b) and 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986(1), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations, a draft of which has, in accordance with section 37(2) of that Act, been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament:

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1994 and shall come into force on 11th April 1994.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Act" means the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986.

2. These Regulations shall apply only in relation to any case where an application for advice and assistance is granted on or after 11th April 1994.

3. For the weekly sum of £147 specified in section 8(a) of the Act(2), there shall be substituted the weekly sum of £153.

4. For the weekly sum of $\pounds 61$ specified in section 11(2)(a) of the Act(3), there shall be substituted the weekly sum of $\pounds 63$.

5. The maximum amount of fees or outlays which a client shall be liable to pay under section 11(2) of the Act(4), where his disposable income falls within a range specified in the first column of the following table, shall be the amount specified in relation to that range in the second column:—

Disposable income range	Maximum contribution	

1 Exceeding £63 but not exceeding £70 a £7 week

^{(1) 1986} c. 47; section 11(2) was amended by the Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50), Schedule 10, paragraph 61 and section 36(2)
(b) was amended by the Legal Aid Act 1988 (c. 34), Schedule 4, paragraph 6.

⁽²⁾ The existing figure specified in section 8(a) was inserted by S.I.1993/971.
(3) The existing figure specified in section 11(2)(a) was inserted by S.I. 1993/971.

⁽⁵⁾ The existing inguie specified in Section $\Pi(2)(a)$ was inserted by S.1. I (4) The existing maximum amounts are specified in S.J. 1002/071

⁽⁴⁾ The existing maximum amounts are specified in S.I. 1993/971.

Disposable income range	Maximum contribution
2 Exceeding £70 but not exceeding £77 a week	£14
3 Exceeding £77 but not exceeding £84 a week	£21
4 Exceeding £84 but not exceeding £91 a week	£28
5 Exceeding £91 but not exceeding £98 a week	£35
6 Exceeding £98 but not exceeding £105 a week	£42
7 Exceeding £105 but not exceeding £112 a week	£49
8 Exceeding £112 but not exceeding £119 a week	£56
9 Exceeding £119 but not exceeding £126 a week	£63
10 Exceeding £126 but not exceeding £133 a week	£70
11 Exceeding £133 but not exceeding £140 a week	£77
12 Exceeding £140 but not exceeding £153 a week	£90

6. The Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 1993(**5**) are hereby revoked.

St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh 28th March 1994

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations increase the disposable income limit for eligibility for advice and assistance under the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 from £147 a week to £153 a week; they increase the weekly disposable income above which a person is required to pay a contribution from £61 to £63; and they prescribe the scale of contributions to be paid where the weekly disposable income exceeds £63 but does not exceed £153.