
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 1741

HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The Homelessness (Suitability of
Accommodation) (Amendment) Order 1997**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21st July 1997</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>30th July 1997</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st September 1997</i>

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 210(2)(a) and 215(2) of the Housing Act 1996⁽¹⁾, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Homelessness (Suitability of Accommodation) (Amendment) Order 1997 and shall come into force on 1st September 1997.

Amendment to the Homelessness (Suitability of Accommodation) Order 1996

2. In the Homelessness (Suitability of Accommodation) Order 1996⁽²⁾, at the end add—

“Circumstances in which accommodation is not to be regarded as suitable

3. For the purposes of section 197(1) of the Housing Act 1996 (duty where other suitable accommodation available), accommodation shall not be regarded as suitable unless the local housing authority are satisfied that it will be available for occupation by the applicant for at least two years beginning with the date on which he secures it.”

(1) 1996 c. 52.
(2) S.I.1996/3204.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment

14th July 1997

Hilary Armstrong
Minister of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport and
the Regions

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

21st July 1997

Win Griffiths
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Welsh
Office

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides that, for the purposes of section 197(1) of the Housing Act 1996 (duty where other suitable accommodation available), accommodation shall not be regarded as suitable unless the local housing authority are satisfied that it will be available for occupation by the applicant for at least two years beginning with the date on which he secures it.