STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 657

COUNCIL TAX, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Council Tax (Additional Provisions for Discount Disregards) Amendment Regulations 1997

Made - - - - 6th March 1997

Laid before Parliament 7th March 1997

Coming into force - - 1st April 1997

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 section 113(1) of, and paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1992(1), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations—

Citation and commencement

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Council Tax (Additional Provisions for Discount Disregards) Amendment Regulations 1997.
 - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st April 1997.

Amendment of the 1992 Regulations

2. In article 3 of the Council Tax (Additional Provisions for Discount Disregards) Regulations 1992(**2**) after class E insert—

"Class F: a person who is—

- (a) a person on whom privileges and immunities are conferred by the Diplomatic Privileges Act 1964(3), or
- (b) a person on whom privileges and immunities are conferred under paragraph 5(1) of Part II of the Schedule to the Commonwealth Secretariat Act 1966(4), or
- (c) a person on whom privileges and immunities are conferred by section 1 of the Consular Relations Act 1968(5), or

^{(1) 1992} c. 14; see section 116(1) for the definition of "prescribed".

⁽²⁾ S.I.1992/552; relevant amendments were made by S.I. 1995/620.

^{(3) 1964} c. 81.

^{(4) 1966} c. 10.

^{(5) 1968} c. 18.

- (d) in relation to any organisation specified in an Order in Council made under section 1(2) of the International Organisations Act 1968(6), within a class of persons mentioned in section 1(3) of that Act to which the relevant Order extended relief from rates as specified in paragraph 9 of Schedule 1 to that Act, or
- (e) a person on whom privileges and immunities are conferred by article 3 or 4 of the Commonwealth Countries and Republic of Ireland (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1985(7), or
- (f) the head of any office established as described in section 1(1) of the Hong Kong Economic Trade Act 1996(8),

and is not—

- (i) a British citizen, a British Dependent Territories citizen, a British National (Overseas) or a British Overseas citizen; or
- (ii) a person who under the British Nationality Act 1981(9) is a British subject; or
- (iii) a British protected person (within the meaning of that Act); or
- (iv) a permanent resident of the United Kingdom.".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for the Environment

Department of the Environment 5th March 1997

David Curry Minister of State,

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

Gwilym Jones
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for
Wales

6th March 1997

^{(6) 1968} c. 48.

⁽⁷⁾ S.I. 1985/1983.

^{(8) 1996} c. 63.

^{(9) 1981} c. 61.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Under Part I of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 the amount payable for council tax is reduced where a person resident in a dwelling qualifies to be disregarded for the purpose of discount. Article 2 of these Regulations provides for the disregard of residents who are diplomats, or people who benefit from diplomatic immunity, and certain of their household members, if they satisfy the conditions specified.