
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2001 No. 3916

RATING AND VALUATION, ENGLAND

**The Non-Domestic Rating (Designation
of Rural Areas) (England) Order 2001**

Made - - - - *7th December 2001*
Laid before Parliament *10th December 2001*
Coming into force - - *31st December 2001*

The Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 42A(3)(c) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988(1), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order, which extends to England only, may be cited as the Non-Domestic Rating (Designation of Rural Areas) (England) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 31st December 2001.

(2) In this Order:

“the map” means the maps each entitled “Map referred to in the Non-Domestic Rating (Designation of Rural Areas) (England) Order 2001”, of which prints, signed by a member of the Senior Civil Service in the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, are deposited and available for inspection at the offices of the Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions; and

“urban areas” means—

- (i) the areas of the local authorities specified in the Schedule to this Order; and
- (ii) the areas shown cross-hatched on the map bounded externally by the outer edge of a black line,

excluding, in each case, any part or parts of the areas which are designated as rural areas under —

- (a) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1997(2);
- (b) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1998(3);

(1) 1988 c. 41. Section 42A was inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 (c. 29).
(2) S.I. 1997/2792.
(3) S.I. 1998/393.

- (c) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) (No. 2) Order 1998⁽⁴⁾; or
- (d) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1999⁽⁵⁾.

Designation of rural areas

2. There is designated as a rural area for the purposes of section 42A (rural settlement list) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 all of England outside the urban areas.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions

7th December 2001

Nick Raynsford
Minister of State for Transport, Local
Government and the Regions

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1998/2836.
⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 1999/3158.

SCHEDULE

Article 1(2)

LIST OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AREAS

The London borough of Barking
The London borough of Bexley
The London borough of Brent
The London borough of Camden
City of London, the Inner Temple and the Middle Temple
The London borough of Croydon
The London borough of Ealing
The London borough of Greenwich
The London borough of Hackney
The London borough of Hammersmith and Fulham
The London borough of Haringey
The London borough of Harrow
The London borough of Hounslow
The London borough of Islington
The Royal borough of Kensington and Chelsea
The London borough of Lambeth
The London borough of Lewisham
The London borough of Merton
The London borough of Newham
The London borough of Redbridge
The London borough of Richmond upon Thames
The London borough of Southwark
The London borough of Sutton
The London borough of Tower Hamlets
The London borough of Waltham Forest
The London borough of Wandsworth
City of Westminster
The City of Birmingham
The metropolitan borough of Dudley
The City of Liverpool
The City of Manchester
The metropolitan borough of Sandwell
The City of Wolverhampton
The borough of Blackpool
The City of Bristol
The City of Derby
The City of Kingston upon Hull

The City of Nottingham
The City of Plymouth
The City of Portsmouth
The borough of Reading
The borough of Slough
The City of Southampton
The borough of Southend-on-Sea
The City of Cambridge
The borough of Castle Point
The City of Gloucester
The borough of Gosport
The district of Harlow
The borough of Ipswich
The City of Lincoln
The City of Norwich
The borough of Spelthorne
The borough of Stevenage
The borough of Tamworth
The borough of Watford
The City of Worcester
The borough of Worthing

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Local Government Finance Act 1988 provides for mandatory relief from non-domestic rates for public houses, petrol filling stations, general stores, food stores and post offices, and discretionary relief for hereditaments used for purposes beneficial to the local community, in certain rural settlements in areas designated as rural areas by order of the Secretary of State. This order designates further areas in England only, in addition to those designated by S.I. [1997/2792](#), S.I. [1998/393](#), S.I. [1998/2836](#) and S.I. [1999/3158](#). This order provides for all of England outside of the local authority areas listed in the Schedule and the urban areas shown on the maps to be designated as a rural area.

The maps referred to in Article 1 of the Order may be inspected during normal office hours at the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU. These maps are based on census information from the Office of National Statistics.