EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

The Regulations, which come into force in accordance with regulation 1, amend, in relation to Wales, the following instruments to take account of the coming into force of section 78 of, and Schedule 11 to, the Access to Justice Act 1999 (c. 22) which unify and rename the stipendiary magistrates' bench and of section 90 of and Schedule 13 to that Act which provide for the transfer of the administrative functions of justices' clerks to justices' chief executives namely,

- the Community Charges (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1989;
- the Non-Domestic Rating (Collection and Enforcement) (Local Lists) Regulations 1989;
- the Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations 1992.

In relation to England corresponding provision has been made in respect of the unification and renaming of the stipendiary bench by the Community Charges, Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rating (Enforcement) (Magistrates' Court) (England) Regulations 2000 (S.I.2000/2026) and is to be made by further regulations in respect of the transfer of the administrative functions of justices' clerks to justices' chief executives.