

1993 No. 429

**CREDIT UNIONS****Credit Unions (Loans and Deposits) Order  
(Northern Ireland) 1993***Made* . . . . . 21st October 1993*Coming into operation* . . . . . 13th December 1993*To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 3(3) of  
Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

The Department of Economic Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)(a), 26(4) and 28(2) and (4)(a) of the Credit Unions (Northern Ireland) Order 1985(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

*Citation and commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the Credit Unions (Loans and Deposits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 13th December 1993.

*Interpretation*

2. In this Order "the 1985 Order" means the Credit Unions (Northern Ireland) Order 1985.

*Limit on loans*

3. For the purposes of Article 28(2) of the 1985 Order (which provides that the total amount on loan to a member of a credit union shall not at any time be more than £5,000(c) in excess of his total paid-up shareholding in the credit union at that time) the specified sum shall be £10,000 instead of £5,000.

*Maximum repayment period for an unsecured loan*

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), for the purposes of Article 28(4)(a) of the 1985 Order (which provides for a 2 year maximum period within which an unsecured loan by a credit union must be repaid) the specified period shall be 4 years instead of 2 years.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply in relation to any unsecured loan made by a credit union before 13th December 1993.

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(a) See definitions of "the Department" and "order"

(b) S.I. 1985/1205 (N.I. 12)

(c) As substituted by S.R. 1989 No. 247 Article 4

*Limit on deposits from persons too young to be members*

5. In Article 26(1) of the 1985 Order (which provides that a credit union may take deposits up to a total of £500 from a person who is under the age at which by virtue of Article 15 thereof, he may become a member of the credit union) for “£500”(a) there shall be substituted “£1,000”.

*Revocation*

6. The Credit Unions (Limits on Loans and Deposits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989(b) is hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on 21st October 1993.

(L.S.)

A. L. Brown

Assistant Secretary

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(a) As substituted by S.R. 1989 No. 247 Article 3

(b) S.R. 1989 No. 247

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order increases—

- (a) the limit on the total amount which may be on loan by a credit union to a member from £5,000 to £10,000 above the member's total paid-up shareholding (Article 3);
- (b) the maximum repayment period for an unsecured loan by a credit union from 2 years to 4 years in relation to such loans made on or after 13th December 1993 (Article 4); and
- (c) the limit on deposits a credit union may take from a person too young to be a member from a total of £500 to a total of £1,000 (Article 5).

This Order also revokes the Credit Unions (Limits on Loans and Deposits) Order (Northern Ireland) 1989 (Article 6).