

## 1976 No. 177 (S. 12)

## RATING AND VALUATION

**The Valuation (Post Office Telecommunication Services)  
(Scotland) Amendment Order 1976**

*Made* - - - - 5th February 1976

*Laid before Parliament* 18th February 1976

*Coming into Operation* 15th March 1976

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 53 of the Post Office Act 1969(a), as amended by paragraph 74 of Schedule 9 to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973(b) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and after consultation with the Post Office and such associations of local authorities and such local authorities as I consider appropriate, I hereby make the following order:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Valuation (Post Office Telecommunication Services) (Scotland) Amendment Order 1976 and shall come into operation on 15th March 1976.

*Interpretation*

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In this order—

“the principal order” means the Valuation (Post Office Telecommunication Services) (Scotland) Order 1971(d) and other words and expressions have the same meanings as in the principal order.

*Amendment of principal order*

3. For the purposes of the re-determination of the aggregate amount of rateable values for each of the years 1976-77 and 1977-78 and the apportionment of the aggregate amount of those values for each of those years among rating areas the principal order shall be varied as follows:—

(a) In article 2(1) after the definition of “Article” there shall be inserted ““rating area” means the area of an islands council or of a district council; “year” has the meaning given to the financial year of a local authority in section 96(5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as substituted by section 18 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975”(e).

(a) 1969 c. 48.

(c) 1889 c. 63.

(e) 1975 c. 30.

(b) 1973 c. 65.

(d) S.I. 1971/1210 (1971 II, p. 3534).

(b) In article 5—

- (i) in paragraph 1 the words “in the valuation roll made up by him” shall be omitted;
- (ii) in sub-paragraph 1(b) for the words “the rating area” there shall be substituted the words “each rating area”; and for the words “16th May in” in both places where they occur, there shall be substituted the words “the commencement of”;
- (iii) in paragraph (2) after the words “of this Article,” there shall be added “(a) any changes in the boundaries of rating areas which take place at the commencement of the year 1976-77 or the year 1977-78 shall be deemed to have taken place at the commencement of the preceding year; and (b)”;

(c) In the Schedule—

in column 1 below “1975-76” there shall be added “1976-77  
1977-78”;

in column 2 below “30 per cent” there shall be added “37½ per cent  
45 per cent”.

*William Ross,*

One of Her Majesty’s Principal  
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew’s House,  
Edinburgh.

5th February 1976.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order extends the Valuation (Post Office Telecommunication Services) (Scotland) Order 1971 to the years 1976-77 and 1977-78 following the postponement of the next revaluation until the year 1978-79. It determines for the years 1976-77 and 1977-78 the manner in which the aggregate amount of the rateable values of the posts, wires, underground cables and ducts, telephone kiosks and other equipment not within a building used by the Post Office for telecommunication services is to be determined. It also determines how the aggregate rateable values for each of these years are to be apportioned among rating areas.

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