
 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1987 No. 2269 (S.153)

HOUSING, SCOTLAND

**The Housing (Improvement and Repairs Grants)
(Approved Expenses Maxima) (Scotland) Order 1987**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>20th December 1987</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>15th January 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	<i>5th February 1988</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 242(1), (3), (9) and (10), 244(8), 248(4) and (10), and 249(3) and (8) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Housing (Improvement and Repairs Grants) (Approved Expenses Maxima) (Scotland) Order 1987 and shall come into force on 5th February 1988.

(2) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987; and

“housing association” means a registered housing association within the meaning of the Housing Associations Act 1985(b).

Application

2. The provisions of this Order shall apply in relation to any application for an improvement grant or repairs grant, or for a grant for a fire escape under section 249 of the Act, which is approved by the local authority on or after the date of coming into force of this Order.

Maximum amounts of approved expenses

3. In each of the provisions of the Act specified in column 1 of the Schedule to this Order, there are prescribed, in place of the amounts specified opposite thereto in column 2 thereof, the amounts specified in column 3 in respect of the cases described in column 4 of that Schedule.

List of standard amenities and maximum of approved expenses

4. Schedule 18 to the Act (standard amenities) is hereby varied by substituting for Part I thereof the following:—

(a) 1987 c.26.

(b) 1985 c.69.

"PART I
LIST OF AMENITIES AND MAXIMUM ELIGIBLE AMOUNTS

<i>Description of amenity</i>	<i>Maximum eligible amount</i>
A fixed bath or shower	£450
A hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower	£570
A wash-hand basin	£170
A hot and cold water supply at a wash-hand basin	£305
A sink	£450
A hot and cold water supply at a sink	£385
A water closet	£680

Revocations

5. The Housing (Standard Amenities Approved Expense) (Scotland) Order 1983(a) and the Housing (Improvement and Repair Grants) (Approved Expenses Maxima) (Scotland) Regulations 1983(b) are hereby revoked.

New St Andrew's House, Edinburgh
20th December 1987

James Douglas-Hamilton
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Scottish Office

(a) S.I. 1983/492.
(b) S.I. 1983/493.

SCHEDULE

Article 3

MAXIMUM AMOUNTS OF APPROVED EXPENSES

Column 1 <i>Provisions of Act</i>	Column 2 <i>Existing amount</i>	Column 3 <i>New amounts</i>	Column 4 <i>Cases applicable</i>
Section 242(1) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for the purposes of improvement grants in respect of each house to which the application relates)	£10,200	£12,600 £17,100 £19,700	(i) All cases other than cases (ii) and (iii) (ii) Rehabilitation of pre-1914 tenements in housing action areas other than those to which case (iii) applies (iii) Rehabilitation of pre-1914 tenements in housing action areas carried out by housing associations
Section 242(3)(a)(i) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for works of improvement and repair where the application for improvement grant relates to the provision of standard amenities and the house is likely to be available for use for a period of at least 10 years)	£ 3,000	£ 3,450	All cases
Section 242(3)(a)(ii) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for each standard amenity provided in any house, where the house is likely to be available for use for a period of less than 10 years)	£ 300	£ 345	All cases
Section 242(3)(a)(ii) (Maximum aggregate amount of approved expenses for standard amenities in respect of any house to which an application for an improvement grant relates, where the house is likely to be available for use for a period of less than 10 years)	£ 1,200	£ 1,380	All cases
Section 248(4) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for the purposes of repairs grants in respect of each house to which the application relates)	£ 4,800	£ 5,500	All cases
Section 249(3)(a) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for the purposes of grants for a fire escape for certain works)	£ 8,100	£ 9,315	All cases
Section 249(3)(b) (Maximum amount of approved expenses for the purposes of grants for a fire escape for certain works)	£ 3,000	£ 3,340	All cases

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

In terms of section 242(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 the amount of an improvement grant is calculated as a percentage of the approved expense of executing the works, subject to a maximum amount in respect of each house to which the application relates as specified in the Act or prescribed by order. Under section 242(10) an order may make different provision with respect to different cases. This Order provides for three different cases and maximum amounts to replace the general amount of £10,200 provided in the Act. These are—

- (i) £12,600 for all cases other than (ii) and (iii);
- (ii) £17,100 in respect of rehabilitation of pre-1914 tenements in housing action areas other than those to which case (iii) applies;
- (iii) £19,700 in respect of rehabilitation of pre-1914 tenements in housing action areas carried out by housing associations.

The Order also increases the amounts provided in the Act under sections 242(3)(a)(i) and (ii), 248(4), and 249(3)(a) and (b).

Section 244(1) of the Act provides for improvement grants for certain standard amenities. The amounts are calculated as a percentage of the approved expense, not exceeding the maximum eligible amount set out in Part I of Schedule 18 to the Act or by an order varying the provisions of Schedule 18. This Order varies the provisions of Part I of Schedule 18 by substituting a new Part I with increased maximum eligible amounts.