
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 706

**IMMIGRATION
HOUSING, ENGLAND
HOUSING, SCOTLAND
HOUSING, NORTHERN IRELAND**

The Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing
Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) Order 2000

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>7th March 2000</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>13th March 2000</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>3rd April 2000</i>

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 118, 119 and 166(3) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999⁽¹⁾, the Secretary of State hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 3rd April 2000.

- (2) This Order does not extend to Wales.
- (3) Article 4 extends to England only.
- (4) Articles 5 and 8 extend to Northern Ireland only.
- (5) Articles 6 and 9 extend to Scotland only.
- (6) Article 7 extends to Scotland and Northern Ireland only.

(1) 1999 c. 33. The Secretary of State can exercise the power under section 118 in relation to England, Scotland and Northern Ireland but not Wales: *see* article 2 of and the entry for section 9 of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 (c. 49) in Schedule 1 to the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/672). *See* also section 17 of the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30) (sections 118 and 119 re-enact, with modifications, section 9 of the 1996 Act). Section 9 of the 1996 Act, in so far as it extended to England and Wales, was amended by paragraph 3 of Schedule 16, and Parts VII and VIII of Schedule 19, to the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52).

Commencement Information

II Art. 1 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Interpretation

2. In this Order–

“the 1971 Act” means the Immigration Act 1971(2);

“the 1985 Act” means the Housing Act 1985(3);

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“the 1999 Act” means the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;

[^{F2}“the Accession Regulations” means the Accession of Croatia (Immigration and Worker Authorisation) Regulations 2013;]

“asylum-seeker” means a person who is not under 18 and who made a claim for asylum which is recorded by the Secretary of State as having been made on or before 2nd April 2000 but which has not been determined;

“child in need” means a child–

- (a) who is unlikely to achieve or maintain, or to have the opportunity of achieving or maintaining, a reasonable standard of health or development without the provision for him of services by a local authority under Part III of the Children Act 1989(4) (local authority support for children and families);
- (b) whose health or development is likely to be significantly impaired, or further impaired, without the provision for him of such services; or
- (c) who is blind, deaf or dumb or suffers from mental disorder of any kind or is substantially and permanently handicapped by illness, injury or congenital deformity or such other disability as may be prescribed by regulations made under section 17 of the Children Act 1989(5) (provision of services for children in need, their families and others);

“claim for asylum” means a claim that it would be contrary to the United Kingdom’s obligations under the Refugee Convention for the claimant to be removed from, or required to leave, the United Kingdom;

“Common Travel Area” means the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland collectively;

“designated course” means a course of any kind designated by regulations made by the Secretary of State for the purposes of paragraph 10 of Schedule 1 to the 1985 Act(6) (student lettings which are not secure tenancies);

“development” means physical, intellectual, emotional, social or behavioural development;

“educational establishment” means a university or institution which provides further education or higher education (or both); and for the purposes of this definition “further education” has the same meaning as in section 2 of the Education Act 1996(7) (definition of further education)

(2) 1971 c. 77.

(3) 1985 c. 68.

(4) 1989 c. 41.

(5) See section 105(1) of the Children Act 1989 for definition of “prescribed”. Section 17 was amended by paragraph 13 of Schedule 3 to the Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance Act 1991 (c. 21), section 4 of, and paragraph 108 of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6) and paragraph 19 of Schedule 2 to the 1995 Act.

(6) Paragraph 10 was amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 16 to the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52).

(7) 1996 c. 56.

and “higher education” means education provided by means of a course of any description mentioned in Schedule 6 to the Education Reform Act 1988⁽⁸⁾ (courses of higher education);

[^{F2}“the EEA Regulations” means the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016;]

“family”, in relation to a child in need, includes any person who has parental responsibility for the child and any other person with whom he has been living;

“full-time course” means a course normally involving not less than 15 hours attendance a week in term time for the organised day-time study of a single subject or related subjects;

“health” means physical or mental health;

[^{F3}“the Human Rights Convention” means the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, agreed by the Council of Europe at Rome on 4th November 1950 as it has effect for the time being in relation to the United Kingdom;]

“the immigration rules” means the rules laid down as mentioned in section 3(2) of the 1971 Act (general provisions for regulation and control);

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“the Refugee Convention” means the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees done at Geneva on 28th July 1951⁽⁹⁾ as extended by Article 1(2) of the Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees done at New York on 31st January 1967⁽¹⁰⁾;

[^{F2}“relevant person of Northern Ireland” has the meaning given in Appendix EU to the immigration rules;]

“specified education institution” means—

- (a) a university or other institution within the [^{F5}wider] higher education sector within the meaning of section [^{F6}4(4) of the Education Act 1996 (schools: general)], in respect of a university or other institution in England, or section 56(2) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992⁽¹¹⁾ (interpretation of Part II), in respect of a university or other institution in Scotland;
- (b) an institution in England within the further education sector within the meaning of section 91(3) of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992;
- (c) a college of further education in Scotland which is under the management of an education authority or which is managed by a board of management in terms of Part I of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 (further education in Scotland);
- (d) a central institution in Scotland within the meaning of section 135(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980⁽¹²⁾ (interpretation);
- (e) an institution in England which provides a course qualifying for funding under Part I of the Education Act 1994⁽¹³⁾ (teaching training);
- (f) a higher education institution in Northern Ireland within the meaning of Article 30(3) of the Education and Libraries (Northern Ireland) Order 1993⁽¹⁴⁾ (funding by Department of higher education); or

⁽⁸⁾ 1988 c. 40.

⁽⁹⁾ Cmnd. 9171.

⁽¹⁰⁾ Cmnd. 3906.

⁽¹¹⁾ 1992 c. 37.

⁽¹²⁾ 1980 c. 44.

⁽¹³⁾ 1994 c. 30.

⁽¹⁴⁾ S.I. 1993/2810 (N.I. 12).

- (g) an institution of further education in Northern Ireland within the meaning of Article 3 of the Further Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1997(15) (definition of “further education”).

- F1** Words in [art. 2](#) omitted (7.8.2008) by virtue of [The Persons subject to Immigration Control \(Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness\) \(Amendment\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1768\)](#), arts. 1, **2(2)(a)**
- F2** Words in [art. 2](#) inserted (24.8.2020) by [The Persons Subject to Immigration Control \(Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness\) \(Amendment\) Order 2020 \(S.I. 2020/825\)](#), arts. 1, **2(2)**
- F3** Words in [art. 2](#) inserted (6.4.2022) by [The Immigration \(Restrictions on Employment and Residential Accommodation\) \(Prescribed Requirements and Codes of Practice\) and Licensing Act 2003 \(Personal and Premises Licences\) \(Forms\), etc., Regulations 2022 \(S.I. 2022/242\)](#), regs. 1(1)(b), **2(2)**
- F4** Words in [art. 2](#) omitted (7.8.2008) by virtue of [The Persons subject to Immigration Control \(Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness\) \(Amendment\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1768\)](#), arts. 1, **2(2)(b)**
- F5** Word in [art. 2](#) inserted (1.8.2019) by [The Higher Education and Research Act 2017 \(Further Implementation etc.\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/1027\)](#), regs. 1, **21(a)**
- F6** Words in [art. 2](#) substituted (1.8.2019) by [The Higher Education and Research Act 2017 \(Further Implementation etc.\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/1027\)](#), regs. 1, **21(b)**

Commencement Information

- I2** Art. 2 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Housing authority accommodation—England, Scotland and Northern Ireland

3. The following are classes of persons specified for the purposes of section 118(1) of the 1999 Act (housing authority accommodation) in respect of England, Scotland and Northern Ireland—

- (a) Class A—a person recorded by the Secretary of State as a refugee within the definition in Article 1 of the Refugee Convention;
- (b) Class B—a person—
- [^{F7}(i) who has leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom granted outside the provisions of the immigration rules; and]
- (ii) whose leave is not subject to a condition requiring him to maintain and accommodate himself, and any person who is dependent on him, without recourse to public funds;
- [^{F8}(bb) Class BA—a person who has humanitarian protection granted under the immigration rules;]
- [^{F9}(bc) Class BB — a person who has limited leave to remain granted in accordance with Appendix Temporary Permission to Stay for Victims of Human Trafficking or Slavery of the Immigration Rules;]
- (c) Class C—a person who has current leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom which is not subject to any limitation or condition and who is habitually resident in the Common Travel Area other than a person—
- (i) who has been given leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom upon an undertaking given by another person (his “sponsor”) in writing in pursuance of the immigration rules to be responsible for his maintenance and accommodation;

- (ii) who has been resident in the United Kingdom for less than five years beginning on the date of entry or the date on which the undertaking was given in respect of him, whichever date is the later; and
 - (iii) whose sponsor or, where there is more than one sponsor, at least one of whose sponsors, is still alive;
- (d) Class D—a person who left the territory of Montserrat after 1st November 1995 because of the effect on that territory of a volcanic eruption;
- ^{F10}(e)
- (f) Class F—a person who is attending a full-time course at a specified education institution in a case where the housing accommodation which is or may be provided to him—
 - (i) is let by a housing authority to that specified education institution for the purposes of enabling that institution to provide accommodation for students attending a full-time course at that institution; and
 - (ii) would otherwise be difficult for that housing authority to let on terms which, in the opinion of the housing authority, are satisfactory;
- ^{F11}(g) Class FA – a person ^{F12}who is habitually resident in the Common Travel Area] who has been transferred to the United Kingdom under section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016 and has limited leave to remain under paragraph 352ZH of the immigration rules];
- ^{F13}(ga) Class FAA — a person in the United Kingdom who—
 - (i) was residing in Ukraine immediately before 1st January 2022;
 - (ii) left Ukraine in connection with the Russian invasion which took place on 24th February 2022; and
 - (iii) has been granted leave in accordance with immigration rules made under section 3(2) of the Immigration Act 1971,but excluding a person (P) who is subject to a condition requiring P to maintain and accommodate themselves, and any person who is dependent on P, without recourse to public funds];
- ^{F14}(gb) Class FAB — a person in the United Kingdom who has limited leave to remain granted in accordance with Appendix Ukraine Scheme of the Immigration Rules pursuant to an application made by that person from within the United Kingdom, but excluding a person (P) who is subject to a condition requiring P to maintain and accommodate themselves, and any person who is dependent on P, without recourse to public funds];
- ^{F15}(h) Class FB—a person who—
 - (i) has limited leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom by virtue of Appendix EU of the immigration rules granted on the basis of a relationship with a relevant person of Northern Ireland, and
 - (ii) would have been considered eligible as a family member, or a family member who has retained the right of residence by virtue of regulation 10 of the EEA Regulations (family member who has retained the right of residence), of a person who is—
 - (aa) a qualified person, within the meaning of regulation 6(1) of the EEA Regulations (“qualified person”), on the basis of being a worker;
 - (bb) a qualified person, within the meaning of regulation 6(1) of the EEA Regulations, on the basis of being a self-employed person, or
 - (cc) a person who is an accession state worker requiring registration who is treated as a worker for the purpose of the definition of “qualified person” in regulation 6(1) of the EEA Regulations, pursuant to regulation 5 of the

Accession Regulations (right of residence of an accession State national subject to worker authorisation),

disregarding that the relevant person of Northern Ireland does not satisfy the definition of “EEA national” in regulation 2 of the EEA Regulations (general interpretation);

- (i) Class FC—a person who is habitually resident in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland and who has limited leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a stateless person under paragraph 405 of the immigration rules];
- [^{F16}(j) Class FD – a person—
 - (i) who is granted leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom in accordance with the immigration rules, where such leave is granted by virtue of—
 - (aa) the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy; or
 - (bb) the previous scheme for locally-employed staff in Afghanistan (sometimes referred to as the ex-gratia scheme); or
 - (ii) with leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom not coming within subparagraph (i), who left Afghanistan in connection with the collapse of the Afghan government that took place on 15th August 2021, but excluding a person (P)—
 - (aa) who is subject to a condition requiring P to maintain and accommodate themselves, and any person who is dependent on P, without recourse to public funds; or
 - (bb) who has been given leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom upon an undertaking given by P’s sponsor and has been resident in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland for less than five years beginning on the date of entry or the date on which P’s sponsor gave the undertaking in respect of P, whichever date is the later, and whose sponsor or, where there is more than one sponsor, at least one of whose sponsors, is still alive];
- [^{F17}(k) Class FE—a person (P)—
 - (i) who has limited leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom on family or private life grounds under Article 8 of the Human Rights Convention that is granted under the immigration rules; and
 - (ii) whose leave is not subject to a condition requiring P to maintain and accommodate P, and any person who is dependent on P, without recourse to public funds;
- (l) Class FF—a person who is habitually resident in the Common Travel Area who has limited leave to remain in the United Kingdom under paragraphs 352J or 352K of the immigration rules;
- (m) Class FG—a person (P)—
 - (i) who is habitually resident in the Common Travel Area and has limited leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom under Appendix Hong Kong British National (Overseas) of the immigration rules; and
 - (ii) whose leave is not subject to a condition requiring P to maintain and accommodate P, and any person who is dependent on P, without recourse to public funds];
- [^{F18}(n) Class FH — a person who—
 - (i) was residing in Sudan before 15th April 2023;
 - (ii) left Sudan in connection with the violence which rapidly escalated on 15th April 2023 in Khartoum and across Sudan;

- (iii) has leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom given in accordance with the immigration rules;
- (iv) is not a person whose leave is subject to a condition requiring that person to maintain and accommodate themselves, and any person who is dependent on that person, without recourse to public funds; and
- (v) is not a person (“P”)—
 - (aa) who has been given leave upon an undertaking given by P’s sponsor;
 - (bb) who has been resident in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland for less than five years beginning on the date of entry or the date on which P’s sponsor gave the undertaking in respect of P, whichever date is the later; and
 - (cc) whose sponsor or, where there is more than one sponsor, at least one of whose sponsors, is still alive.]

[^{F19}(o) Class FI—a person who—

- (i) was residing in Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights or Lebanon immediately before 7th October 2023;
- (ii) left Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights or Lebanon in connection with the Hamas terrorist attack in Israel on 7th October 2023 or the violence which rapidly escalated in the region following the attack;
- (iii) has leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom given in accordance with the immigration rules;
- (iv) is not a person whose leave is subject to a condition requiring that person to maintain and accommodate themselves, and any person who is dependent on that person, without recourse to public funds; and
- (v) is not a person (“P”)—
 - (aa) who has been given leave upon an undertaking given by P’s sponsor;
 - (bb) who has been resident in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland for less than five years beginning on the date of entry or the date on which P’s sponsor gave the undertaking in respect of P, whichever date is the later; and
 - (cc) whose sponsor or, where there is more than one sponsor, at least one of whose sponsors, is still alive.]

F7	Art. 3(b)(i) substituted (9.10.2006) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2521) , arts. 1, 2(2)(a)
F8	Art. 3(bb) inserted (9.10.2006) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2521) , arts. 1, 2(2)(b)
F9	Art. 3(bc) inserted (30.1.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1371) , regs., 3(2)
F10	Art. 3(e) omitted (7.8.2008) by virtue of The Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1768) , arts. 1, 2(3) (with art. 3(1))
F11	Art. 3(g) inserted (9.7.2018) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/729) , arts. 1, 2(2)(a)
F12	Words in art. 3(g) inserted (6.4.2022) by The Immigration (Restrictions on Employment and Residential Accommodation) (Prescribed Requirements and Codes of Practice) and Licensing Act

2003 (Personal and Premises Licences) (Forms), etc., Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/242), regs. 1(1)(b), 2(3)(a)

- F13** Art. 3(ga) inserted (22.3.2022) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/339), regs. 1(1), 3(2)
- F14** Art. 3(gb) inserted (10.6.2022) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/601), regs. 1(1), 3(2) (as amended by S.I. 2022/626, regs. 1(1), 2)
- F15** Art. 3(h)(i) inserted (24.8.2020) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/825), arts. 1, 2(3)
- F16** Art. 3(j) inserted (16.9.2021) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/1045), regs. 1(1), 3(2)
- F17** Arts. 3(k)-(m) inserted (6.4.2022) by The Immigration (Restrictions on Employment and Residential Accommodation) (Prescribed Requirements and Codes of Practice) and Licensing Act 2003 (Personal and Premises Licences) (Forms), etc., Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/242), regs. 1(1)(b), 2(3)(b)
- F18** Art. 3(n) inserted (15.5.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/530), regs. 1(1), 3(2)
- F19** Art. 3(o) inserted (27.10.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1142), regs. 1(1), 3(2)

Commencement Information

- I3** Art. 3 in force at 3.4.2000, see **art. 1(1)**

Housing authority accommodation—England

4.—(1) The following are classes of persons specified for the purposes of section 118(1) of the 1999 Act in respect of England—

- (a) Class G—a person [^{F20}whose needs for care and support a local authority considers should be met under Part 1 of the Care Act 2014 by the provision of accommodation;]
- (b) Class H—a person who is either a child in need or a member of the family of a child in need;
- (c) Class I—a person—
 - (i) who is owed a duty under section 63(1) (interim duty to accommodate in case of apparent priority need), 65(2) or (3) (duties to persons found to be homeless) or 68(1) or (2) (duties to persons whose applications are referred) of the 1985 Act⁽¹⁶⁾;
 - (ii) who is owed a duty under section 188(1) (interim duty to accommodate in case of apparent priority need), 190(2) (duties to persons becoming homeless intentionally), 193(2) (duty to persons with priority need who are not homeless intentionally), 195(2) (duties in case of threatened homelessness) or 200(1), (3) or (4) (duties to applicant whose case is considered for referral or referred) of the Housing Act 1996⁽¹⁷⁾; or

⁽¹⁶⁾ The repeal of Part III of the Housing Act 1985, which includes sections 63, 65 and 68 and which was commenced by the Housing Act 1996 (Commencement No. 5 and Transitional Provisions) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/2959 (C. 88)), does not, by virtue of paragraph 1 of the Schedule to that Order, apply to applicants under Part III of that Act whose applications were made before 20th January 1997.

⁽¹⁷⁾ 1996 c. 52.

- (iii) in respect of whom a local housing authority are exercising their power under section 194(1) (power exercisable after minimum period of duty under section 193) of the Housing Act 1996;
 - (d) Class J—an asylum-seeker to whom, or a dependant of an asylum-seeker to whom, a local authority is required to provide support in accordance with regulations made under Schedule 9 to the 1999 Act (asylum support: interim provisions);
 - (e) Class K—a person who is attending a designated course, which is a full-time course, at an educational establishment in a case where the housing accommodation which is or may be provided to him by a local housing authority—
 - (i) is not and will not be let to him as a secure tenancy by virtue of paragraph 10 of Schedule 1 to the 1985 Act⁽¹⁸⁾ (student lettings which are not secure tenancies); and
 - (ii) would otherwise be difficult for that local housing authority to let on terms which, in the opinion of the local housing authority, are satisfactory;
 - (f) Class L—a person who has a secure tenancy within the meaning of section 79 of the 1985 Act (secure tenancies).
- (2) “Dependant”, in relation to an asylum-seeker within paragraph (1)(d) (Class J), means a person in the United Kingdom who—
- (a) is his spouse;
 - (b) is a child of his, or of his spouse, who is under 18 and dependent on him; or
 - (c) falls within such additional category as may be prescribed under section 94(1) of the 1999 Act (interpretation of Part VI—support for asylum-seekers), for the purposes of regulations made under Schedule 9 to the 1999 Act (asylum support: interim provisions), in relation to an asylum-seeker.

F20 Words in [art. 4\(1\)\(a\)](#) substituted (1.4.2015) by [The Care Act 2014 \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Secondary Legislation\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/643\)](#), [art. 1\(2\)](#), [Sch. para. 15](#) (with [art. 4](#))

Commencement Information

I4 Art. 4 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Housing authority accommodation—Northern Ireland

5. The following are classes of persons specified for the purposes of section 118(1) of the 1999 Act in respect of Northern Ireland—

- (a) Class M—a person who is a secure tenant of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive or a registered housing association within the meaning of Article 25 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1983⁽¹⁹⁾ (secure tenancies);
- (b) Class N—a person who is owed a duty under Article 8 (interim duty to accommodate in case of apparent priority need), 10(2) or (3) (duties to persons found to be homeless) or 11(2) (duties to persons found to be threatened with homelessness) of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1988⁽²⁰⁾.

⁽¹⁸⁾ Paragraph 10 was amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 16 to the Housing Act 1996.

⁽¹⁹⁾ S.I. 1983/1118 (N.I. 15).

⁽²⁰⁾ S.I. 1988/1990 (N.I. 23).

Commencement Information

I5 Art. 5 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Housing authority accommodation—Scotland

6. The following are classes of persons specified for the purposes of section 118(1) of the 1999 Act in respect of Scotland—

- (a) Class O—a person who is a secure tenant within the meaning of Part III of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987⁽²¹⁾ (rights of public sector tenants);
- (b) Class P—a person who is owed a duty under section 29 (interim duty to accommodate in case of apparent priority need), 31 (duties to persons found to be homeless), 32 (duties to persons found to be threatened with homelessness) or 34 (duties to persons whose applications are referred to another local authority) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.

Commencement Information

I6 Art. 6 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Homelessness—Scotland and Northern Ireland

7.—(1) The following are classes of persons specified for the purposes of section 119(1) of the 1999 Act (homelessness: Scotland and Northern Ireland) in respect of Scotland and Northern Ireland—

- ^[F21](a) the classes specified in article 3(a) to (d) and ^[F22]the classes specified in article ^[F23]3(g) to (o)] (Class A, Class B, Class BA, ^[F24]Class BB,] Class C, Class D ^[F25], Class FA, ^[F26]Class FAA,]^[F27]Class FAB,] Class FB ^[F28], ^[F29]Class FC, Class FD, Class FE, Class FF ^[F30], Class FG ^[F31], Class FH and Class FI]]];
 - (b) Class Q—a person who is an asylum-seeker and who made a claim for asylum—
 - (i) which is recorded by the Secretary of State as having been made on his arrival (other than on re-entry) in the United Kingdom from a country outside the Common Travel Area; and
 - (ii) which has not been recorded by the Secretary of State as having been either decided (other than on appeal) or abandoned;
 - (c) Class R—a person who is an asylum-seeker and—
 - (i) who made a relevant claim for asylum on or before 4th February 1996; and
 - (ii) who was, on 4th February 1996, entitled to benefit under regulation 7A of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987⁽²²⁾ (persons from abroad) or regulation 7A of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987⁽²³⁾ (persons from abroad).
- (2) In paragraph (1)(c)(i), a relevant claim for asylum is a claim for asylum which—
- (a) has not been recorded by the Secretary of State as having been either decided (other than on appeal) or abandoned; or

⁽²¹⁾ 1987 c. 26.

⁽²²⁾ S.I. 1987/1971; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1994/470 and 1994/1807.

⁽²³⁾ S.R. 1987 No. 461; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1994 No. 80 and S.R. 1994 No. 266.

- (b) has been recorded as having been decided (other than on appeal) on or before 4th February 1996 and in respect of which an appeal is pending which—
- (i) was pending on 5th February 1996; or
 - (ii) was made within the time limits specified in the rules of procedure made under section 22 of the 1971 Act (procedure)(24).

- F21** Art. 7(1)(a) substituted (9.7.2018) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/729), arts. 1, **2(3)**
- F22** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (24.8.2020) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/825), arts. 1, **2(4)(a)**
- F23** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (27.10.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1142), regs. 1(1), **3(3)(a)**
- F24** Words in art. 7(1)(a) inserted (30.1.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1371), regs., **3(3)**
- F25** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (24.8.2020) by The Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/825), arts. 1, **2(4)(b)**
- F26** Words in art. 7(1)(a) inserted (22.3.2022) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/339), regs. 1(1), **3(3)**
- F27** Words in art. 7(1)(a) inserted (10.6.2022) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/601), regs. 1(1), **3(3)** (as amended by S.I. 2022/626, regs. 1(1), 2)
- F28** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (16.9.2021) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/1045), regs. 1(1), **3(3)(b)**
- F29** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (6.4.2022) by The Immigration (Restrictions on Employment and Residential Accommodation) (Prescribed Requirements and Codes of Practice) and Licensing Act 2003 (Personal and Premises Licences) (Forms), etc., Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/242), regs. 1(1)(b), **2(4)(b)**
- F30** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (15.5.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/530), regs. 1(1), **3(3)(b)**
- F31** Words in art. 7(1)(a) substituted (27.10.2023) by The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (England) and Persons Subject to Immigration Control (Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1142), regs. 1(1), **3(3)(b)**

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- I7** Art. 7 in force at 3.4.2000, see **art. 1(1)**

(24) Section 22 was amended by S.I. 1987/465; there are other amendments not relevant to this Order.

Homelessness—Northern Ireland

[^{F32}8. The following is a class of person specified for the purposes of section 119(1) of the 1999 Act in respect of Northern Ireland—

Class T—a person who is an asylum-seeker and—

- (a) who was in Northern Ireland when the Secretary of State made a declaration to the effect that the country of which that person is a national is subject to such a fundamental change in circumstances that he would not normally order the return of a person to that country;
- (b) who made a claim for asylum which is recorded by the Secretary of State as having been made within a period of three months from the day on which that declaration was made; and
- (c) whose claim for asylum has not been recorded by the Secretary of State as having been either decided (other than on appeal) or abandoned.]

F32 Art. 8 substituted (7.8.2008) by [The Persons subject to Immigration Control \(Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness\) \(Amendment\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1768\)](#), arts. 1, **2(5)** (with art. 3(2))

Commencement Information

I8 Art. 8 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Homelessness—Scotland

[^{F33}9. The following is a class of person specified for the purposes of section 119(1) of the 1999 Act in respect of Scotland—

Class V—a person who is an asylum-seeker and—

- (a) who was in Great Britain when the Secretary of State made a declaration to the effect that the country of which that person is a national is subject to such a fundamental change in circumstances that he would not normally order the return of a person to that country;
- (b) who made a claim for asylum which is recorded by the Secretary of State as having been made within a period of three months from the day on which that declaration was made; and
- (c) whose claim for asylum has not been recorded by the Secretary of State as having been either decided (other than on appeal) or abandoned.]

F33 Art. 9 substituted (7.8.2008) by [The Persons subject to Immigration Control \(Housing Authority Accommodation and Homelessness\) \(Amendment\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1768\)](#), arts. 1, **2(6)** (with art. 3(2))

Commencement Information

I9 Art. 9 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Revocation

10. The following Orders are revoked—

- (a) the Housing Accommodation and Homelessness (Persons subject to Immigration Control) Order 1996(**25**), in so far as it extends to England and Scotland;
- (b) the Homelessness (Persons subject to Immigration Control) (Amendment) Order 1997(**26**), in so far as it extends to England and Scotland;
- (c) the Housing Accommodation and Homelessness (Persons subject to Immigration Control) (Amendment) Order 1998(**27**), in so far as it extends to England;
- (d) the Housing Accommodation and Homelessness (Persons subject to Immigration Control) (Northern Ireland) Order 1998(**28**);
- (e) the Housing Accommodation and Homelessness (Persons subject to Immigration Control) (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 1999(**29**); and
- (f) the Housing Accommodation (Persons subject to Immigration Control) (Amendment) (England) Order 1999(**30**).

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I10 Art. 10 in force at 3.4.2000, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Home Office
7th March 2000

Barbara Roche
Minister of State

(25) S.I. 1996/1982; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1997/628, 1998/139, 1999/723 (S. 48) and 1999/3057.

(26) S.I. 1997/628.

(27) S.I. 1998/139.

(28) S.I. 1998/1004.

(29) S.I. 1999/723 (S. 48).

(30) S.I. 1999/3057.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order revokes, in so far as they extend to England, Scotland or Northern Ireland, all extant Orders made under section 9 of the Asylum and Immigration Act 1996 (article 10). Sections 118 and 119 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 replace section 9 of the 1996 Act. This Order specifies classes of persons subject to immigration control for the purposes of section 118 (articles 3 to 6) and section 119 (articles 7 to 9).

Section 118 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 requires a housing authority, so far as practicable, to secure that a tenancy of, or licence to occupy, housing accommodation provided under the accommodation provisions is not granted to a person subject to immigration control unless he is of a class specified in an order made by the Secretary of State. The accommodation provisions are, in relation to England, Part II of the Housing Act 1985, in relation to Scotland, Part I of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987 and, in relation to Northern Ireland, Part II of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981. There is an exception in the case of a tenancy of, or licence to occupy, such accommodation granted in accordance with arrangements made under section 95 of the 1999 Act (support for asylum-seekers: persons for whom support may be provided).

Section 119 of the 1999 Act provides that a person who is subject to immigration control is not eligible for accommodation or homelessness assistance, in Scotland or Northern Ireland, unless he is of a class specified in an order made by the Secretary of State.

The classes in this Order are similar to those in the Orders made under section 9 of the 1996 Act. The main changes are as follows:

- (a) The class of persons, who may be granted housing authority accommodation in England and Scotland and who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland, concerning persons who have current unconditional leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom, has been amended. Those persons must be habitually resident in the Common Travel Area and certain sponsored immigrants are excluded (articles 3(c) and 7(1)(a)). These qualifications continue to apply to Northern Ireland.
- (b) There is a new class of persons, who may be granted housing authority accommodation in England, Scotland and Northern Ireland and who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland and Northern Ireland, comprising persons who left Montserrat because of the volcanic eruption (articles 3(d) and 7(1)(a)).
- (c) There are new classes of persons, who may be granted housing authority accommodation, concerning students in England (article 4(1)(e)), secure tenants in Scotland (article 6(a)) and persons owed certain duties under homelessness legislation in Scotland and Northern Ireland (articles 5(b) and 6(b)).
- (d) The class of persons, who may be granted housing authority accommodation in England, Scotland and Northern Ireland and who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland and Northern Ireland, concerning nationals of states which are signatories to the European Convention on Social and Medical Assistance or the European Social Charter, has been amended. It is limited to only nationals of states which have ratified that Convention or that Charter (articles 3(e) and 7(1)(a)).
- (e) The class of persons, who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland and Northern Ireland, concerning persons entitled to income-based jobseeker's allowance or income support, has been amended to exclude those who are so entitled by virtue of being

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temporarily without funds during a period of limited leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom (articles 8(1)(a) and 9(1)(a)).

- (f) The class of persons, who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland, concerning persons who claimed asylum within three months of a declaration by the Secretary of State concerning their country of origin, has been amended so that it is limited to those who were in Great Britain at the time the declaration was made (article 9(1)(b)).
- (g) The class of persons, who are eligible for homelessness assistance in Scotland and Northern Ireland, concerning asylum-seekers, has been amended so that it applies only to those whose asylum claim was made, and recorded by the Secretary of State, on or before 2nd April 2000 (see the definition of “asylum-seeker” in article 2).

There are other minor and drafting changes.

This Order does not extend to Wales. Article 4 extends to England only. Articles 5 and 8 extend to Northern Ireland only. Articles 6 and 9 extend to Scotland only. Article 7 extends to Scotland and Northern Ireland only.

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