

2003 No. 78

RATES

Rates (Regional Rates) Order (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - - - 14th February 2003

Coming into operation 1st April 2003

*To be laid before Parliament under paragraph 7(3) of
the Schedule to the Northern Ireland Act 2000*

The Department of Finance and Personnel^(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2)^(b), 7(1) and 27(4) of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977^(c) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, and having taken into consideration estimates of the amounts required to be raised by means of district rates as required by Article 7(4)^(d) of that Order, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Rates (Regional Rates) Order (Northern Ireland) 2003 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2003.

(2) In this Order –

“specified hereditament” means a hereditament of a class specified by Article 3 of the New Valuation List (Time and Class of Hereditaments) Order (Northern Ireland) 2000^(e);

“unspecified hereditament” means a hereditament which is not a specified hereditament.

Regional Rate

2. The regional rate to be levied for the year ending 31st March 2004 shall be 25·56 pence in the pound in respect of specified hereditaments and 205·83 pence in the pound in respect of unspecified hereditaments.

Reduction of regional rate on dwellings

3. The amount by which the normal regional rate fixed for the year ending on 31st March 2004 under Article 2 is to be reduced in respect of unspecified hereditaments for the purposes of paragraphs (2) and (3) of Article 27 of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 shall be 65·41 pence.

(a) Formerly the Department of Finance. *See* S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Article 3

(b) *See* the definition of “the Department”

(c) S.I. 1977/2157 (N.I. 28)

(d) Article 7(4) was amended by paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Rates (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1998, (S.I. 1998/3164 (N.I. 22))

(e) S.R. 2000 No. 342

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 14th February 2003.

(L.S.)

Brian McClure

A senior officer of the Department of Finance and Personnel

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order fixes the amounts of the regional rates for the year ending 31st March 2004. The Order fixes 25·56 pence in the pound as the amount of the regional rate in respect of those hereditaments (referred to as specified hereditaments) which are not dwelling-houses, private garages or private storage premises and 205·83 pence in the pound in respect of those hereditaments (referred to as unspecified hereditaments) which are.

The Order also fixes 65·41 pence as the amount by which the normal regional rate is reduced in respect of unspecified hereditaments and hereditaments which, though not unspecified hereditaments, are used partly for the purposes of unspecified hereditaments.

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