## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

Part IV of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 makes provision for the capital finance of local authorities.

Section 49(2) of that Act sets out a formula for determining, for the purposes of Part IV, the value of the consideration falling to be given by an authority under a credit arrangement in any financial year after the year in which the arrangement comes into being.

The percentage rate of discount prescribed for a financial year is one of the elements which make up the formula.

For the financial year beginning on 1st April 2001 these Regulations prescribe a percentage rate of discount of 7 per cent which is 0.5 per cent less than the rate of discount prescribed for 2000/2001.