1979 No. 424

HOUSING

The Homes Insulation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1979

Made . . . . . 30*th November* 1979

Coming into operation . . . 1*st January* 1980

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 3(1), (2), (3) and (8), of the Homes Insulation (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Homes Insulation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1980.

Revocation

2. The Homes Insulation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 1978(**b**) is hereby revoked.

Homes Insulation Scheme

3. The Scheme set out in the Schedule shall have effect and may be referred to in any instrument or document as the Homes Insulation Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1979.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland on 30th November 1979.

(L.S.)

R. B. Spence
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) S.I. 1978/1406 (N.I. 22)
(**b**) S.R. 1978 No. 335 (II, p. 1191)

SCHEDULE

The Homes Insulation Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1979

Interpretation

1. In this Scheme:—

"grant" means a grant, for any dwelling, of 66 per cent of the cost of works qualifying for a grant or £50, whichever is the less, and

"roof space" means space between the roof of a dwelling and the ceiling of any room, which is used or available for use for the purposes of living accommodation and which is not wholly separated from the roof by any other room.

Specified insulation works

2.—(1) Subject to this paragraph, grant will be available under this Scheme for the following insulation works:—

(*a*) the provision in any roof space of either:—

(i) material specified in column 1 of the Schedule as made by the manufacturer named in column 2 to the thickness specified in column 3 of the Schedule; or

(ii) any other material, where the applicant for grant can produce evidence in writing that he has purchased or agreed to purchase such material before 1st January 1980 sufficient, when provided to give for the relevant structure a U Value of 0.4W/m²°C.

(*b*) where there is no means of access to any roof space for the purpose of carrying out the principal insulation works, the provision of such a means of access;

(*c*) insulation, in any roof space, of any cold water tank and any water supply pipes;

(*d*) the provision, for any hot water tank or cylinder which is not already insulated by any means, of a jacket conforming to British Standard Specification 5615: 1978, or, if there is insufficient space for such a jacket, of other means of insulation.

(2) Grant shall only be available where at the completion of the insulation works:—

(*a*) any cold water tank in any roof space insulated under this Scheme and any water supply pipes in any such roof space are insulated; and

(*b*) any hot water tank or cylinder which was not insulated at the start of those works is insulated as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(*d*).

(3) Grant shall only be available for the insulation works mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(*b*), (*c*) or (*d*) where at the same time as such insulation works are carried out the principal insulation works are also carried out.

(4) In this paragraph:—

"principal insulation works" means the insulation works referred to in sub-paragraph 1(*a*);

"relevant structure" means the roof over the roof space and the ceiling below it together with the material provided in the roof space and referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(*a*)(ii); and