1974. No. 63 [C]

RATES

Regional Rate, Reduction of Regional Rate on Dwelling-Houses and Belfast Special Abatement

ORDER*, DATED 21ST MARCH 1974, MADE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE UNDER ARTICLES 7 AND 27 OF AND PARAGRAPH 1 OF PART I OF SCHEDULE 18 TO THE RATES (NORTHERN IRELAND), ORDER 1972.

The Department of Finance in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Articles 7 and 27 of and paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 18 to the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Rates (Regional Rate, Reduction of Regional Rate on Dwelling-houses and Belfast Special Abatement) Order (Northern Ireland) 1974 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1974.

Regional rate

2. Subject to the provisions of this Order the regional rate for the year ending on 31st March 1975 shall be a rate of 299 pence in the pound.

Lower regional rate

3.—(1) For the year ending 31st March 1975 the regional rate specified in Article 2 shall be reduced in respect of each hereditament in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2).

(2) In respect of the hereditaments situated in each of the areas specified in column 2 of the Schedule (being areas described by reference to local government areas in existence immediately before 1st October 1973) the regional rate specified in Article 2 shall be reduced by the amount in the pound specified in column 3 of the Schedule to the amount in the pound specified in column 4 (hereinafter referred to as "the lower regional rate") in relation to that area.

Reduction of rate on dwellings

4.—(1) For the year ending 31st March 1975 the lower regional rate shall be reduced in respect of dwelling-houses in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2).

(2) In respect of dwelling-houses situated in each of the areas specified in column 2 of the Schedule the lower regional rate shall be reduced by the amount in the pound specified in column 5 of the Schedule to the amount in the pound specified in column 6 (hereinafter referred to as the "domestic regional rate") in relation to that area and accordingly the amounts specified in column 5 are hereby fixed for that year for the purposes of Article 27 of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

(a) S.I. 1972, No. 1633 (N.I. 16).

*This Order was approved by a Resolution of the Assembly on 4th April 1974.

Belfast special abatement

5.—(1) In levying the domestic regional rate for the year ending on the 31st March 1975 in respect of any hereditament to which this paragraph applies, on any person who is the owner and occupier of and resides or is usually resident in that hereditament, the Department of Finance shall make in that rate an abatement of 18.11 per cent.

(2) Paragraph (1) applies to any hereditament the rateable value of which does not exceed £15.50 and which—

(*a*) either is a dwelling-house or though not a dwelling-house is used mainly for the purposes of a private dwelling; and

(*b*) is situated within those parts of the districts of Belfast and Newtownabbey which immediately before the 1st October 1973 were included in the City and County Borough of Belfast and in respect of which the whole of the rate is paid before such date or respective dates as the Department of Finance may notify.

(3) A person receiving an abatement under paragraph (1) shall not qualify for an allowance under Article 31 of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Ireland this 21st day of March 1974.

(L.S.) *J. Y. Malley,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

District	*Area chargeable at rate lower than regional rate*	*Amount in pound by which regional rate is reduced for area (in pence)*	*Amount in pound of lower regional rate for area (in pence)*	*Amount in pound by which lower regional rate is reduced in respect of dwelling-houses (in pence)*	*Amount in pound of domestic regional rate for area (in pence)*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
ANTRIM	That part of the district formerly included in any district electoral division in Lisburn Rural District, other than the district electoral divisions of Ardmore, Dunmurry, Finaghy and Upper Malone which was not within the area of supply of the Belfast City and District Water Commissioners	73	226	68	158
	That part of the district formerly included in Antrim Rural District	85	214	72	142
	That part of the district formerly included in Ballymena Rural District	74	225	70	155

District	*Area chargeable at rate lower than regional rate*	*Amount in pound by which regional rate is reduced for area (in pence)*	*Amount in pound of lower regional rate for area (in pence)*	*Amount in pound by which lower regional rate is reduced in respect of dwelling-houses (in pence)*	*Amount in pound of domestic regional rate for area (in pence)*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
ARDS	That part of the district formerly included in Newtownards Borough	57	242	62	180
	That part of the district formerly included in Donaghadee Urban District	71	228	68	160
	That part of the district formerly included in East Down Rural District	84	215	72	143
	That part of the district formerly included in North Down Rural District	88	211	75	136

ARMAGH	That part of the district formerly included in Armagh Urban District	31	268	50	218
	That part of the district formerly included in Armagh Rural District	111	188	86	102
	That part of the district formerly included in Keady Urban District	85	214	72	142
	That part of the district formerly included in Newry No. 2 Rural District	103	196	85	111
	That part of the district formerly included in Tandragee Rural District	116	183	88	95
	That part of the district formerly included in Tandragee Urban District	54	245	61	184
BALLYMENA	That part of the district formerly included in Ballymena Borough	36	263	49	214
	That part of the district formerly included in Antrim Rural District	85	214	72	142
	That part of the district formerly included in Ballymena Rural District	74	225	70	155