STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 1772 (S.155)

BUILDING AND BUILDINGS

The Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980

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In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3(1) as read with the Fourth Schedule to the Building (Scotland) Act 1959 (**a**) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and having consulted the Building Standards Advisory Committee and such other bodies as appear to me to be representative of the interests concerned, I hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1980, and the Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations 1971 to 1979 and these regulations may be cited together as the Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations 1971 to 1980.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 23rd December 1980.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

(a)"the building standards regulations" means the Building Standards (Scotland) (Consolidation) Regulations 1971(**b**) as amended by the Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1973(**c**), the Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1975(**d**) and the Building Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1979 (**e**) and other words and expressions have the same meanings as in the said regulations;

(b) any reference to a Part, regulation or Schedule shall be construed as a reference to a Part or regulation of, or Schedule to, the building standards regulations and any reference to a numbered Table shall be construed as a reference to a Table in Schedule 9 to the building standards regulations.

(**a**)1959 c.24. (**b**) S.I. 1971/2052. (**c**) S.I. 1973/794.
(**d**) S.I. 1975/404. (**e**) S.I. 1979/310.

Transitional provision

3. In relation to the granting of a warrant for the construction or change of use of a building where application therefor was made before the date of the coming into operation of these regulations, and in relation to any subsequent extension of the period of validity of such a warrant or amendment of its terms, these regulations shall not be treated as having amended the building standards regulations for the purpose of construing the words "building standards regulations" in section 6(2), (3), (3A), (7) and (8) and sections 6A and 10 of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959.

Amendment of the building standards regulations

4. The building standards regulations shall be amended as provided in these regulations.

5. In regulation A4 —

(i) in paragraph (1) the words ", subject to regulation L2(2)," shall be deleted;

(ii) in paragraph (2) for the word "regulations" where it second occurs there shall be substituted the word "regulation", and the words "and L2(1)" shall be deleted.

6. In regulation A5(2) the letter ", L" shall be deleted.

7. Part L shall be deleted.

8. In regulation Q1(2) for the words ", Q18 and Q19" there shall be substituted the words "and Q18 to Q20".

9. After regulation Q19 there shall be inserted the following regulation —

"Provision of windows

Q20.— (1) Every kitchen, living room or other apartment shall have a window or windows with an aggregate area of glass not less than —

(a) in the case of a kitchen or living room, one-tenth of the floor area of the room, and

(b) in the case of any other apartment, one-fifteenth of the floor area of the room.

(2) Every window provided to comply with paragraph (1) above shall be situated in —

(a) an external wall, or

(b) any part of the roof structure in the case of —

(i) a kitchen, or

(ii) a living room , where the window is inclined at an angle of not less than 70 degrees above the horizontal, or

(iii) any other apartment, where the window is inclined at an angle of not less than 30 degrees above the horizontal, or

(c) the wall between a kitchen or apartment and a sun porch in which the external wall opposite the window is glazed above a height of 840 millimetres above floor level.

(3) If, in any room to which this regulation applies, there is provided in an external wall a glazed door, the glazed part of the door may be taken to be a window for the purposes of this regulation.".

10. Schedule 7 shall be deleted.

11. In Schedule 9, Tables 13, 14, 15 and 16 shall be deleted.

George Younger,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
12th November 1980.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations 1971 to 1979. They come into operation on 23rd December but do not apply to constructional work or changes of use where application for the relevant warrant was made before that date.

The regulations remove Part L (Daylighting and space about houses) and introduce a new regulation in Part Q (Housing standards) specifying minimum sizes of windows in kitchens, living rooms and other apartments in houses, related to room floor area.

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