STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES
HOUSING, SCOTLAND

The Homes Insulation Grants Order 1984

Made - - - -	19*th June* 1984
Laid before the House of Commons	28*th June* 1984
Coming into Operation	20*th July* 1984

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, the Secretary of State for Scotland, as respects Scotland, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of their powers under section 1(4), (5)(*b*) and (9) of the Homes Insulation Act 1978(**a**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Homes Insulation Grants Order 1984 and shall come into operation on 20th July 1984.

Prescribed percentages and amounts

2. For the purposes of the Homes Insulation Scheme 1984, there is hereby prescribed:—

(*a*) as the percentage of the cost of the works qualifying for grant in the case of those applying on grounds of special need, 90 per cent.; and

(*b*) as the percentage of that cost in all other cases, 66 per cent.; and

(*c*) as the money sum payable as grant in the case of those applying on grounds of special need, £95; and

(*d*) as the money sum in all other cases, £69.

Patrick Jenkin,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

11th June 1984.

(**a**) 1978 c. 48.

George Younger,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

14th June 1984.

Nicholas Edwards,
Secretary of State for Wales.

19th June 1984.

We approve,

T. Garel-Jones,
Ian B. Lang,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

19th June 1984.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the order.*)

This order specifies for the purposes of the Homes Insulation Scheme 1984 ("the 1984 Scheme") the percentage of the cost of work and the maximum money sum available by way of grant both in relation to applications on grounds of special need and to other cases. The percentages and amounts prescribed are the same as those prescribed in the Homes Insulation Grants Order 1983 (S.I. 1983/285): 90 per cent. and £95 for applications on the grounds of special need and 66 per cent. and £69 for other cases.

The 1984 Scheme (which replaces the Homes Insulation Scheme 1983 as amended ("the 1983 Scheme")) is made under the Homes Insulation Act 1978 and laid before Parliament in accordance with that Act. Local authorities are required to make grants towards the cost of thermal insulation of dwellings in accordance with the 1984 Scheme. The order and the 1984 Scheme, like the 1983 Scheme, provide for grants to be made on a higher scale in the case of those applying on grounds of special need. Under section 1(6) of the 1978 Act, "special need" is defined by the 1984 Scheme and broadly covers any person who, or whose spouse, has a low income and is either elderly or severely disabled, or has a dependant who is severely disabled. The 1984 Scheme enables grants to be given in the case of dwellings with inadequate insulation in the roof spaces, and makes other minor changes. A dwelling (or the building from which a dwelling has been converted) must have been completed before 1st January 1976 in order to qualify under the 1984 Scheme.

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