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RATING AND VALUATION

The Rate-demands (Amendment) Rules 1967

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The Minister of Housing and Local Government, after consultation with the associations of local authorities with whom consultation appeared to him to be desirable, in exercise of his powers under section 113 of the General Rate Act 1967(**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following rules:—

1. These rules may be cited as the Rate-demands (Amendment) Rules 1967 and shall come into operation on 24th January 1968.

2. In relation to rates made by councils of county boroughs, London boroughs and county districts in respect of any period beginning on or after 1st April 1968, the Rate-demands Rules 1965(**b**) shall have effect subject to the provisions of these rules.

3.—(1) The Interpretation Act 1889(**c**) applies to the interpretation of these rules as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) Any reference in these rules to a numbered section shall, unless the reference is to a section of a specified Act, be construed as a reference to the section bearing that number in the General Rate Act 1967.

4. In addition to the particulars and information prescribed by the Rate-demand Rules 1965, a rating authority shall include in a demand note for a general rate information to the following effect—

(*a*) the amounts in the pound of the rate reductions made for dwelling-houses and mixed hereditaments respectively, in pursuance of section 48(1); or, in a case where the period for which the rate is made is less than a year, the equivalent reductions made in pursuance of section 48(2);

(*b*) the amount in the pound of the rate levied on the hereditament to which the demand note relates;

(*c*) that the authority will provide on request information or further information as to the circumstances under which a hereditament qualifies as a dwelling-house or a mixed hereditament for the purposes of section 48;

(*d*) that a person who is the occupier of, and resides or is usually resident in, a dwelling and who has a low income may be entitled to a rate rebate under section 49 and that the authority will provide on request further information on this subject;

(**a**) 1967 c. 9. (**b**) S.I. 1965/261 (1965 I, p. 658). (**c**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(*e*) that a person who is the occupier of, and resides or is usually resident in, a dwelling may, in certain circumstances, be entitled to pay rates by instalments.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government on 29th December 1967.

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Minister of Housing and Local Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Rules.*)

These Rules, which apply to England and Wales, require rating authorities to provide certain additional information in rate demand notes. The information in question relates to the rate reductions on dwellings and mixed hereditaments by reference to the domestic element of rate support grants, rate rebates and payment of rates by instalments.