STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1970 No. 847

RATING AND VALUATION

The Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1970

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - *2nd June* 1970

Coming into Operation *1st August* 1970

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under paragraph 14 of Schedule 9 to the General Rate Act 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following order in the terms of a draft which has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament :—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1970.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Limits of income

2. The limit of income for the purposes of section 49(1)(*b*) of the General Rate Act 1967 shall, in relation to any rebate application in respect of the period beginning on 1st October 1970 and subsequent rebate periods, be the following amount of income, in place of the amount specified in paragraph 12 of Schedule 9 to that Act as varied by the Rate Rebates (Limits of Income) Order 1968(c), namely—

(*a*) if at the date of making of the application the applicant is married and living with his spouse, £318 10s.;

(*b*) in any other case, £260.

(a) 1967 c. 9. (b) 1889 c. 63.
(c) S.I. 1968/1066 (1968 II, p. 2870).

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government on 29th May 1970.

(L.S.)

Anthony Greenwood,
Minister of Housing and
Local Government.

We approve this order.

E. G. Perry,
Walter Harrison,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

2nd June 1970.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Order raises the income limits governing entitlement to rate rebate in England and Wales. Under section 49 of the General Rate Act 1967 domestic occupiers are entitled to a rebate equal to two-thirds of the amount by which their reckonable rates for a six months rebate period exceed £3 15s. 0d provided their incomes are within the specified limits. The present limits of income within the relevant six months period, and the limits as raised by this Order, are set out below, with the weekly equivalents given in brackets.

	Present limits	*New limits*
Married couple	£286 (£11)	£318 10s. (£12 5s.)
Single person	£234 (£ 9)	£260 (£10)
Addition for each child	£ 52 (£ 2)	(unchanged)

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