

# Rating and Valuation Act 1925

# CHAPTER 90

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- 3 The chairman at any meeting of the assessment committee may,...
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- 5 The proceedings of an assessment committee shall not be invalidated...
- 6 The minutes of the proceedings of an assessment committee shall...
- 7 Every assessment committee shall in the month of April in...
- 8 Until the contrary is proved, an assessment committee shall be...
- 9 An assessment committee may sue and be sued in the...
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- 11 A member of an assessment committee shall not be qualified...
- 12 No person who is a member of any committee to-which...
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- 2 A special scheme submitted as aforesaid may be approved by...
- 3 Where by any order a county borough or urban district...
- 4 The Minister may make regulations with respect to the preparation...
- 5 The council of every county borough and urban district shall,...
- 6 The Minister may by order direct, in any cases where...
- 7 The Minister may, on an application in that behalf made...

THIRD SCHEDULE — Classes of Machinery and Plant to be deemed to be part of the Hereditament.

- 1 Machinery and plant (together with the shafting, pipes, cables, wires,...
- 2 Lifts and elevators mainly or usually used for passengers.
- 3 Railway and tramway lines and tracks.
- 4 Such part of any plant or any combination of plant...

FOURTH SCHEDULE — Provisions with respect to preparation of Valuation Lists. PART I

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- 1 The rating authority shall deposit the draft list at the...
- 2 The rating authority shall, immediately upon the deposit of the...
- 3 Where there is included in the draft list as deposited...
- 4 The draft list so deposited shall be open to inspection...
- 5 Immediately on the expiration of the said period of twenty-one... PART II

# Notices of Objection.

- 1 A notice of objection must specify the grounds of objection....
- 2 The assessment committee shall, within three days after the date... PART III

# Meetings for hearing Objections.

- 1 Meetings for hearing objections to the draft list may be...
- 2 The assessment committee shall, at least fourteen days before holding...
- 3 On the consideration of an objection any valuer employed by...
- 4 No person, being either a party to the objection, or...
- 5 The assessment committee shall forthwith after determining an objection send...
- 6 Every such notice as aforesaid of the decision of the...

- 7 Where the assessment committee, in pursuance of the provisions of...
- 8 Every notice of an alteration made in the draft list...
- 9 Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Act, the provisions...
- 10 The assessment committee shall not be required to hear and...

FIFTH SCHEDULE — Appeals to Quarter Sessions. PART I

#### *Notices of Appeal.*

- 1 Notice of appeal must be given to the clerk of...
- 2 A copy of the notice of appeal must also be...
- 3 The notice of appeal must specify the grounds of appeal....
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#### Provisions with respect to Arbitrations.

- 1 Where any matter is referred to arbitration under the provisions...
- 2 The parties to an arbitration may before entering on the...
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- 1 The provisions of section one hundred and twenty of the...
- 2 In computing the time of service in any capacity of...
- 3 The compensation payable under this Act to an officer who...
- 4 If any officer was temporarily absent from his employment during...
- 5 The compensating authority may, in their discretion and in consideration...
- 6 All fees or remuneration received by an officer in connection...
- 7 The compensation shall not exceed two-thirds of the annual pecuniary...
- 8 No officer shall be entitled to receive both compensation under...
- 9 In this Schedule, the expression— " Compensating authority " means...

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- 1 Property, liabilities, &c., of existing assessment committees.
- 2 Custody of books and documents.
- 3 Transfer of property.
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- 5 Adjustment of parochial balances, liabilities, &c.
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- 8 Saving for pending contracts, legal proceedings, &c.

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