

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Sheriff Court Fees Order 1997 (“the 1997 Order”). The Order specifies for proceedings in the sheriff court new fee levels in substitution for those applicable since 1st April 1997. Many fee levels remain unchanged and the increases represent an average of 2.5%.

The Order also amends article 9 of the 1997 Order (proceedings to which fees under this Order do not apply). The effect of that amendment is to include in the list of those applications to which the fees regulated by the Order do not apply in paragraph (1)(a) of article 9, an application under section 129 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 (time orders) (article 2(2)).