

1992 No. 376

HOUSING

**Assistance for Minor Works to Dwellings (Lead Pipes)
Order (Northern Ireland) 1992**

Made 27th August 1992

Coming into operation 1st October 1992

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2) and 69(1)(e) of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Assistance for Minor Works to Dwellings (Lead Pipes) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1992.

(2) In this Order—

(a) “associated equipment” includes any plumbing fittings which are within the pipe work or are necessary to connect the pipe to the tap or main and includes, where the supply of water is indirect, the storage tank; and

(b) a direct connection to the main is one whereby the water at the tap is subject to water pressure from the main, or would be so subject but for the closing of a valve.

Specified purposes

2. The following are specified as purposes for which the Executive may give assistance as mentioned in Article 69(2) of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (assistance for the provision of minor works to dwellings)—

(a) the replacement of—

(i) the whole or part of a pipe which is made wholly or substantially of lead and which connects (directly or indirectly) to the main a tap which is used mainly for supplying water for drinking or cooking in a dwelling, and

(ii) any associated equipment,

by a pipe and any associated equipment not made of lead, which will connect that tap directly or where that is not practicable, indirectly to the main; and

(a) S.I. 1992/1725 (N.I. 15). See Article 2(2) for the definition of “the Department”

(b) the replacement of the electrical earthing arrangements of that dwelling where these use such a lead pipe and that lead pipe is being replaced in circumstances in which paragraph (a) applies.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on
27th August 1992.

(L.S.)

F. Rodgers

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order specifies 2 purposes for which the Northern Ireland Housing Executive may give assistance by way of grant under Article 69 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 for the provision of minor works to dwellings, in addition to those specified in Article 69(1)(a) to (d) of that Order.

Article 2 specifies the additional purposes, which are the replacement of lead pipes and associated equipment used for supplying drinking or cooking water to a dwelling by a pipe not made of lead, and the replacement of electrical earthing arrangements which use such a lead pipe.