

(Northern Ireland), 1946, (in these Regulations referred to as "the No. 2. Act of 1946") and of every other power it thereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Order :—

Contributions and Grants

1. The Housing (Grants) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947, shall have effect as if for the words " thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-eight " in Articles 1 and 2 of the said Order, there were substituted the words " thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-nine ".

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply to the interpretation of this Order in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Citation

3. This Order may be cited as the Housing (Grants) Order (Northern Ireland), 1948, and shall, subject to the provisions of sub-section (5) of section fifteen of the No. 2 Act of 1946, have effect from the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-fifth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. R. Walker,
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves the foregoing Order.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this twenty-fifth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, in the presence of

(L.S.)

John I. Cook,
Assistant Secretary.

Schemes for the Erection of Houses for Owner Occupation

REGULATIONS, DATED 2ND JULY, 1948; MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER THE HOUSING (NO. 2) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1948. No. 176

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland,

in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by the Housing (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, hereby makes the following regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Housing (Owner Occupation) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948, and shall be construed as one with the Housing (Owner Occupation) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946, (in these Regulations referred to as “the Principal Regulations”) (a), and the Housing (Owner Occupation) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946 (b).

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2. Paragraph (3) of Schedule III to the Principal Regulations shall have effect as if there were added at the end thereof the following words :—

“Where a third living room is provided, its superficial area shall be at least 100 square feet in addition to the 335 square feet prescribed in this paragraph.”

3. For paragraph (10) of Schedule III to the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following paragraph :

“(10) *Cupboard Accommodation.*

In addition to the larder and hot-press, cupboard accommodation with adequate shelving shall be provided in each house to afford, as a minimum :

- (a) 14 cubic feet other than in respect of bedrooms ; and
- (b) 30 cubic feet in respect of bedrooms.”

4. For paragraph (12) of Schedule III to the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following paragraph :

“(12) *Water Supply and Sanitary Accommodation :*

(a) *Water Supply and Drainage System.*

An adequate supply of wholesome drinking water must be readily available.

A suitable drainage system for the disposal of waste water, rain water and of soil from any water closet must also be provided.

(b) *Where a local supply of piped water is available.*

Where there is a local piped water supply there shall be provided in each house a bathroom (including a bath and washhand basin), hot press and water closet accommodation. The size of these compartments should be sufficient to provide reasonable space for access to, and use of, the fittings provided.

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1946, No. 155.

(b) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1946, No. 179.

(c) *Where there is no local supply of piped water available.*

Where there is no local supply of piped water, and the local authority is satisfied that it would not be reasonably practicable to provide any such supply, a storage tank, with a minimum capacity of 100 gallons, located suitably for the purpose of providing a supply of water to the scullery sink, bath, washhand basin and water closet, shall be provided in respect of each house. This storage tank shall be capable of being replenished by rain water from the roof and, if practicable, from a pumped water supply.

Provided that where the local authority is satisfied that the water supply is inadequate or that there is no adequate means for disposal of waste water, and/or sewage, it may agree to the omission of the provision of a bathroom and/or water closet : where no water closet is provided, however, there must be provided a separate earth closet or other approved arrangement for each house.

A bathroom or water closet shall not communicate directly with any living room, bedroom, kitchen or scullery, nor shall any bathroom or water closet be so placed that the only means of access thereto from any bedroom is through a living room."

5. For the first sub-paragraph of paragraph (13) of the said Schedule III to the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph :

"(13) *Ceiling Heights :*

The minimum ceiling height of any ground-floor room designed for use as a living room, scullery or bedroom, shall be 8 ft. In the case of a room designed for use as a bedroom, which is situated on an upper floor, the minimum ceiling height shall be 7ft. 6ins."

6. For paragraph (15) of Schedule III to the Principal Regulations there shall be substituted the following paragraph :

"(15) *Room Heating :*

Where solid fuel is proposed, as the principal source of heating, a fireplace shall be provided in the living room (in the case of a house with two living rooms, in the principal living room). In addition there shall be provided, in respect of the undermentioned apartments, either (a) a fireplace, or (b) some other fixed means of providing adequate heating :

(1) The second living room (in the case of a house with two living rooms) ;

(2) The first, or second, bedroom.

Provided that, in the case of the first, or second, bedroom, it shall be permissible to substitute for a fireplace, or other fixed means of heating, an electric or gas service connection, to which a heating appliance can be conveniently connected.

Where the principal means of heating proposed is otherwise than by the use of solid fuel, the provision of fireplaces as above may not be required, but, in any such case, specific approval shall be sought to the system proposed."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, in the presence of :—

(L.S.)

Ronald Green,
Assistant Secretary.

Small Dwellings Acquisition — Rate of Interest

ORDER, DATED 17TH JANUARY, 1948, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER SECTION FIVE OF THE HOUSING ACT, 1921.

1948. No. 10

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by section five of the Housing Act, 1921, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, hereby orders as follows :—

1. The rate of interest on advances to be made under section one of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, 1899, on or after the 17th day of January, 1948, shall be three and one-quarter per centum per annum:

Provided that nothing in this Order shall affect the rate of interest on any advance made or to be made or expenses incurred or to be incurred in respect of contracts entered into or applications granted under the said section prior to the 17th day of January, 1948:

2. The Rates of Interest (Housing) Order (Northern Ireland), 1946 (a), made by the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland on the 12th day of November, 1946, is hereby revoked.

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.) 1946 No. 207.