STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1993 No. 342 (S.34)

# COUNCIL TAX, SCOTLAND WATER SUPPLY, SCOTLAND

The Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993

Made	18th February 1993
Laid before Parliament	1st March 1993
Coming into force	1st April 1993

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 113(1) and 116(1) of, and paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to, the Local Government Finance Act 1992(1) and that paragraph as read with paragraph 11 of Schedule 11 to that Act and with the Council Water Charge (Scotland) Regulations 1992(2) made thereunder, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

### **Citation and commencement**

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1993 and shall come into force on 1st April 1993.

#### **Amendment of Regulations**

**2.**—(1) In paragraph 3(c) of the Schedule to the Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Regulations 1992(**3**), after "6(1)(b)" there shall be added "or (c)".

(2) After paragraph 3 of that Schedule, there shall be added the following paragraph:—

## **"Visiting Forces**

**4.**—(1) A person shall be disregarded for the purposes of discount on a particular day if on that day he has a relevant association with a visiting force.

<sup>(1) 1992</sup> c. 14; section 116(1) contains a definition of "prescribed" relevant to the exercise of the statutory powers under which these Regulations are made.

<sup>(</sup>**2**) S.I.1992/1203.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 1992/1409.

(2) A visiting force, in relation to a particular day, is any body, contingent or detachment of the forces of a country to which any provision in Part I of the Visiting Forces Act 1952(4) applies on that day.

(3) A person has, on a particular day, a relevant association with a visiting force if he has on that day such an association within the meaning of that Part.".

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 18th February 1993 Allan Stewart Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Scottish Office

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

#### (This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends the Schedule to the Council Tax (Discounts) (Scotland) Regulations 1992 which prescribes additional classes of persons to be disregarded for the purposes of discount in relation to the council tax and the council water charge. Paragraph 3 of that Schedule provides for certain persons to be thus disregarded for a period after ceasing to be students. These Regulations amend that paragraph so as to widen the category of former students to whom the paragraph is to apply. A new paragraph is also added to that Schedule, covering members of visiting forces and any of their dependants who are neither British citizens nor ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.