
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 309

**The Local Government Reorganisation (Wales)
(Council Tax Reduction Scheme) Regulations 1996**

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

“the 1994 Act” means the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994(1);

“the Benefit Regulations” means the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992(2);

“billing authority” means a Welsh billing authority;

“Caldey” means Caldey Island and St Margaret’s Island in the county of Pembrokeshire;

“chargeable dwelling” means a chargeable dwelling in Wales;

“community area” means—

(a) an area which is co-extensive with the area, as at 1st January 1996, of a community, and a community area identified in the Schedule to these Regulations by the name of a community in a county or county borough means the area which is co-extensive with the area of the community of that name on that date, or

(b) Caldey;

“county” means a county in Wales established under the 1994 Act;

“county borough” means a county borough in Wales established under the 1994 Act; and

“section 10”, “section 11” and “section 12” mean section 10 of the Act, section 11 of the Act and section 12 of the Act, respectively.

(2) In these Regulations, in relation to an amount a person is liable to pay in respect of council tax—

“the appropriate reduction” means the amount (if any) prescribed in the Schedule to these Regulations in relation to the relevant community area and the relevant valuation band;

“the relevant community area” means the community area in which the relevant chargeable dwelling is situated; and

“the relevant chargeable dwelling” means the chargeable dwelling in respect of which the person is liable to pay the amount.

(3) In these Regulations, in relation to an amount a person is liable to pay in respect of council tax, any reference to the relevant valuation band is a reference to the valuation band shown as applicable to the relevant chargeable dwelling—

(a) in the billing authority’s valuation list; or

(b) if no such list is in force—

(1) 1994 c. 19.

(2) S.I. 1992/1814; to which amendments have been made which are not relevant to these Regulations.

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- (i) except in a case to which paragraph (4) below applies, in the copy of the information supplied to the authority under section 22A(8) of the Act(3);
- (ii) in a case to which paragraph (4) below applies, in information which for the purposes of this paragraph is relevant information.

(4) This paragraph applies where the listing officer supplies the authority with information relating to a property which—

- (a) is recorded in a valuation list after 31st October 1995, and
- (b) differs from the information referred to in paragraph (3)(b)(i) above;

and such information is relevant information for the purposes of paragraph (3)(b)(ii) above.

(5) Any reference in these Regulations to a person who is liable to pay to a billing authority, in respect of a particular dwelling, an amount in respect of council tax (whether his liability is sole, or joint and several), includes, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to a person who in the opinion of the authority will be so liable; and references to the amount which a person is liable to pay shall be construed accordingly.

(3) Section 22A was inserted by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994 (c. 19), section 36.