

**2001 No. 3916**

**RATING AND VALUATION, ENGLAND**

**The Non-Domestic Rating (Designation of Rural Areas)  
(England) Order 2001**

*Made - - - - - 7th December 2001*

*Laid before Parliament 10th December 2001*

*Coming into force - - 31st December 2001*

The Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 42A(3)(c) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

**Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order, which extends to England only, may be cited as the Non-Domestic Rating (Designation of Rural Areas) (England) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 31st December 2001.

(2) In this Order:

“the map” means the maps each entitled “Map referred to in the Non-Domestic Rating (Designation of Rural Areas) (England) Order 2001”, of which prints, signed by a member of the Senior Civil Service in the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, are deposited and available for inspection at the offices of the Secretary of State for Transport, Local Government and the Regions; and

“urban areas” means—

- (i) the areas of the local authorities specified in the Schedule to this Order; and
- (ii) the areas shown cross-hatched on the map bounded externally by the outer edge of a black line,

excluding, in each case, any part or parts of the areas which are designated as rural areas under—

- (a) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1997(b);
- (b) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1998(c);
- (c) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) (No. 2) Order 1998(d); or
- (d) article 2 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Settlements) (England) Order 1999(e).

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(a) 1988 c. 41. Section 42A was inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 (c. 29).

(b) S.I. 1997/2792.

(c) S.I. 1998/393.

(d) S.I. 1998/2836.

(e) S.I. 1999/3158.

**Designation of rural areas**

2. There is designated as a rural area for the purposes of section 42A (rural settlement list) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 all of England outside the urban areas.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for  
Transport, Local Government and the Regions

7th December 2001

*Nick Raynsford*  
Minister of State for Transport,  
Local Government and the Regions

## SCHEDULE

Article 1(2)

### LIST OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AREAS

The London borough of Barking  
The London borough of Bexley  
The London borough of Brent  
The London borough of Camden  
City of London, the Inner Temple and the Middle Temple  
The London borough of Croydon  
The London borough of Ealing  
The London borough of Greenwich  
The London borough of Hackney  
The London borough of Hammersmith and Fulham  
The London borough of Haringey  
The London borough of Harrow  
The London borough of Hounslow  
The London borough of Islington  
The Royal borough of Kensington and Chelsea  
The London borough of Lambeth  
The London borough of Lewisham  
The London borough of Merton  
The London borough of Newham  
The London borough of Redbridge  
The London borough of Richmond upon Thames  
The London borough of Southwark  
The London borough of Sutton  
The London borough of Tower Hamlets  
The London borough of Waltham Forest  
The London borough of Wandsworth  
City of Westminster  
The City of Birmingham  
The metropolitan borough of Dudley  
The City of Liverpool  
The City of Manchester  
The metropolitan borough of Sandwell  
The City of Wolverhampton  
The borough of Blackpool  
The City of Bristol  
The City of Derby  
The City of Kingston upon Hull  
The City of Nottingham  
The City of Plymouth  
The City of Portsmouth  
The borough of Reading  
The borough of Slough  
The City of Southampton  
The borough of Southend-on-Sea  
The City of Cambridge  
The borough of Castle Point  
The City of Gloucester  
The borough of Gosport  
The district of Harlow  
The borough of Ipswich  
The City of Lincoln  
The City of Norwich  
The borough of Spelthorne  
The borough of Stevenage  
The borough of Tamworth  
The borough of Watford  
The City of Worcester  
The borough of Worthing

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Local Government Finance Act 1988 provides for mandatory relief from non-domestic rates for public houses, petrol filling stations, general stores, food stores and post offices, and discretionary relief for hereditaments used for purposes beneficial to the local community, in certain rural settlements in areas designated as rural areas by order of the Secretary of State. This order designates further areas in England only, in addition to those designated by S.I. 1997/2792, S.I. 1998/393, S.I. 1998/2836 and S.I. 1999/3158. This order provides for all of England outside of the local authority areas listed in the Schedule and the urban areas shown on the maps to be designated as a rural area.

The maps referred to in Article 1 of the Order may be inspected during normal office hours at the Department for Transport, Local Government and the Regions, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU. These maps are based on census information from the Office of National Statistics.

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