
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Warm Home Discount (England
and Wales) Regulations 2022**

PART 1

Introductory

Interpretation: general

3.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the 2011 Regulations” means the Warm Home Discount Regulations 2011⁽¹⁾;

“aggregate non-core spending obligation” is to be read in accordance with regulation 15;

“central heating system” means a system—

- (a) which provides heat for the purposes of space heating through a boiler or other heat source connected to one or more separate heat emitters, and
- (b) where the heat source and heat emitters are all situated in the same domestic premises or building;

“the commencement day” means the day on which these Regulations come into force;

“compulsory scheme electricity supplier”, other than in regulation 17(6)(a), has the meaning given in regulation 6(2);

“core group customer” has the meaning given in regulation 10(2);

“debt write-off” means the provision of assistance to reduce debts for electricity or gas supply to domestic premises by cancelling or reducing the debts;

“E&W domestic customer” has the meaning given in regulation 2(2);

“electricity supply licence” means a licence granted under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989⁽²⁾;

“eligibility statement” has the meaning given in regulation 9(2);

“energy advice” means advice on reducing or preventing the wastage of energy in domestic premises;

“gas supply licence” means a licence granted under section 7A(1) of the Gas Act 1986⁽³⁾;

“GB domestic customer” has the meaning given in regulation 2(3);

(1) S.I. 2011/1033, as amended by S.I. 2014/695, 2015/652, 2016/806, 2018/909, 2019/1458, 2021/667.

(2) 1989 c. 29. Section 6 was substituted by section 30 of the Utilities Act 2000 (c. 27), and subsection (1)(d) of that section was amended by S.I. 2012/2400.

(3) 1986 c. 44. Section 7A was inserted by section 6 of the Gas Act 1995 (c. 45). The functions of the Director General of Gas Supply under subsection (1) of that section were transferred to the Authority by section 3 of the Utilities Act 2000.

“group of companies” means a holding company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, where “holding company” and “wholly-owned subsidiary” have the meanings given by section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006(4);

“guarantee credit” is to be construed in accordance with sections 1 and 2 of the State Pension Credit Act 2002(5);

“industry initiative” has the meaning given in regulation 21(1);

“non-core spending obligation” is to be read, other than in regulation 18(2)(b), in accordance with regulation 17;

“prescribed rebate”, other than in regulation 18, means a rebate of £150;

“rebate notice” has the meaning given in regulation 8(1);

“the Scheme” has the meaning given in regulation 4;

“scheme electricity supplier” means—

- (a) a compulsory scheme electricity supplier, or
- (b) a voluntary scheme electricity supplier;

“scheme gas supplier” has the meaning given in regulation 6(8);

“scheme year”, other than in the expression “scheme year 11”, means—

- (a) the period beginning with the commencement day and ending with 31st March 2023 (“scheme year 12”), or
- (b) a period of 12 months beginning with 1st April in any of the years from 2023 to 2025 (and “scheme year” followed by a number from 13 to 15 means the scheme year beginning in 2023, 2024 or 2025 respectively);

“scheme year 11” has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the 2011 Regulations;

“smart meter advice” means advice on the benefits of using a smart meter in domestic premises;

“voluntary scheme electricity supplier” has the meaning given in regulation 6(6);

“working day” means a day other than—

- (a) a Saturday or a Sunday,
- (b) Christmas Day or Good Friday, or
- (c) a day which is a bank holiday under section 1 of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971(6) in England and Wales.

(2) For the purposes of these Regulations, a licensed supplier(7) is connected to another licensed supplier if they both belong to the same group of companies.

(4) 2006 c. 46.

(5) 2002 c. 16. Section 2 was amended by paragraphs 140 and 141 of Schedule 24 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33).

(6) 1971 c. 80.

(7) See the definition of “licensed supplier” in section 15(5) of the Energy Act 2010.