
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 1332

HOUSING

The Rent Officers (Housing Benefit and Universal Credit Functions) (Amendment) Order 2018

Made - - - - *11th December 2018*
Laid before Parliament *12th December 2018*
Coming into force - - *25th January 2019*

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 122(1) and (6) of the Housing Act 1996⁽¹⁾.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit and Universal Credit Functions) (Amendment) Order 2018 and comes into force on 25th January 2019.

Amendment of the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) Order 1997

2.—(1) Schedule 3B (broad rental market area determinations and local housing allowance determinations) of the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) Order 1997⁽²⁾ is amended as follows.

- (2) In paragraph 2 (local housing allowance for category of dwelling in paragraph 1)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2B)(a) for “lower of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3A)(a) and (b)” substitute “lowest of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3A)(a), (b) and (c)”;
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (3A)—
 - (i) after paragraph (a) omit “and”;
 - (ii) for the table in paragraph (b) substitute—

⁽¹⁾ 1996 c.52. Section 122(1) was amended by paragraph 36 of Schedule 2 to the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (c.5).
⁽²⁾ S.I. 1997/1984. Schedule 3B was inserted by S.I. 2007/2871 and amended by S.I. 2016/1179 and 2017/1323. There are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

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<i>1. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>	<i>2. Maximum local housing allowance for that category of dwelling</i>
paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)	£276.51
paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)	£276.51
paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)	£320.74
paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)	£376.04
paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)	£442.42”

(iii) after paragraph (b) insert—

“; and

(c) the rent at the 30th percentile determined in accordance with subparagraphs (4) to (8).”.

(3) For the table in paragraph 5A substitute—

<i>1. Broad rental market area</i>	<i>2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Basingstoke	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Basingstoke	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

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Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Black Country	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Blackwater Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Blaenau Gwent	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bournemouth	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bournemouth	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bradford & South Dales	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Brecon and Radnor	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bury St Edmunds	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bury St Edmunds	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Caerphilly	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

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Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Carmarthenshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Central Lancs	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Cherwell Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Cherwell Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chichester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chichester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

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Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Darlington	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Dover-Shepway	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Dover-Shepway	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
East Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Eastern Staffordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Flintshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

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Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Grantham & Newark	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Grantham & Newark	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Herefordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Herefordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

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Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Kendal	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Kendal	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Kernow West	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Lancaster	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

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Leicester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Leicester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Mendip	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mendip	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Merthyr Cynon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid & East Devon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid & West Dorset	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid Staffs	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

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Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Monmouthshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Neath Port Talbot	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North Clwyd	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North Cornwall & Devon Borders	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North Devon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
North West Wales	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

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Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Northumberland	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Nottingham	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Nottingham	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

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Outer South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Oxford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Oxford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Pembrokeshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Plymouth	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Rotherham	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Salisbury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Salisbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)

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Scarborough	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Solihull	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
South Gwynedd	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Staffordshire North	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

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Staffordshire North	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Sunderland	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Taff Rhondda	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Taunton & West Somerset	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Torfaen	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Tyneside	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Vale of Glamorgan	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Walton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Walton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)

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Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
West Cumbria	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Weston-Super-Mare	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Weston-Super-Mare	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Worcester South	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Worcester South	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Yeovil	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)”.

Amendment of the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) (Scotland) Order 1997

3.—(1) Schedule 3B (broad rental market area determinations and local housing allowance determinations) of the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) (Scotland) Order 1997⁽³⁾ is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 2 (local housing allowance for category of dwelling in paragraph 1)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (2A) for “other than Lothian and East Dunbartonshire” substitute “not listed in column 1 of the table in paragraph 5A”;

(b) for sub-paragraph (2B) substitute—

“(2B) For a broad rental market area listed in column 1 of the table in paragraph 5A, the local housing allowance—

(a) for a category of dwelling listed in the corresponding entry in column 2 of that table, is the lowest of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3A)(a), (b) and (c);

(3) [S.I. 1997/1995](#). Schedule 3B was inserted by [S.I. 2007/2871](#) and amended by [S.I. 2016/1179](#) and [2017/1323](#). There are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

- (b) for a category of dwelling not so listed, is the lower of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3)(a) and (b).”;
- (c) omit sub-paragraph (2C);
- (d) in sub-paragraph (3) for “(2A), (2B)(b) and (2C)(b)” substitute “(2A) and (2B)(b)”;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (3A)—
 - (i) omit “and (2C)(a)”;
 - (ii) after paragraph (a) omit “and”;
 - (iii) for the table in paragraph (b) substitute—

<i>1. Category of accommodation as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>	<i>2. Maximum local housing allowance for that category of dwelling</i>
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paragraph (1)(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)	£276.51
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paragraph (1)(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)	£276.51
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paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)	£320.74
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paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)	£376.04
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paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)	£442.42”
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- (iv) after paragraph (b) insert—

“; and

- (c) the rent at the 30th percentile determined in accordance with sub-paragraphs (4) to (8).”.

- (3) After paragraph 5 insert—

“**5A.** The table referred to in paragraph 2(2A) and (2B) is as follows—

<i>1. Broad rental market area</i>	<i>2. Category of accommodation as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>
East Dunbartonshire	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Fife	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Forth Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Highlands and Islands	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)

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<i>1. Broad rental market area</i>	<i>2. Category of accommodation as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
North Lanarkshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Scottish Borders	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
South Lanarkshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
West Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
West Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

Amendment of the Rent Officers (Universal Credit Functions) Order 2013

4.—(1) Schedule 1 (local housing allowance determinations) of the Rent Officers (Universal Credit Functions) Order 2013(4) is amended as follows.

- (2) In paragraph 2 (local housing allowance for category of accommodation in paragraph 1)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2B)(a) for “lower of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3A)(a) and (b)” substitute “lowest of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3A)(a), (b) and (c)”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (3A)—
- (i) after paragraph (a) omit “and”;
- (ii) for the table in paragraph (b) substitute—

<i>“1. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule</i>	<i>2. Maximum local housing allowance for that category of dwelling</i>
paragraph (1)(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)	£1,198.20
paragraph (1)(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)	£1,198.20
paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)	£1,389.91
paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)	£1,629.55
paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)	£1,917.12”

- (iii) after paragraph (b) insert—
- “; and

(c) the rent at the 30th percentile determined in accordance with paragraph 3.”.

- (3) For the table in paragraph 5A, substitute—

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

(4) [S.I. 2013/382](#). Schedule 1 was amended by [S.I. 2016/1179](#) and [2017/1323](#).

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Ashford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Aylesbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Basingstoke	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Basingstoke	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bath	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bedford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Birmingham	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Black Country	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Blackwater Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Blaenau Gwent	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bolton and Bury	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bournemouth	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bournemouth	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bradford & South Dales	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Brecon and Radnor	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Brighton and Hove	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Bristol	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Bury St Edmunds	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Bury St Edmunds	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Caerphilly	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Cambridge	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Canterbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Carmarthenshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Central Lancs	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Central London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Central Norfolk & Norwich	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chelmsford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Cherwell Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Cherwell Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chichester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chichester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Chilterns	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Colchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Coventry	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Crawley & Reigate	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Darlington	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Dover-Shepway	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Dover-Shepway	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
East Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
East Dunbartonshire	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
East Thames Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Eastbourne	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Eastern Staffordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Fife	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Flintshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Forth Valley	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Gloucester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Grantham & Newark	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Grantham & Newark	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Greater Glasgow	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Guildford	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Harlow & Stortford	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Herefordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Herefordshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Highland and Islands	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
High Weald	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Huntingdon	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner North London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Inner West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Ipswich	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Kendal	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Kendal	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Kernow West	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Kings Lynn	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Lancaster	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Leicester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Leicester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Lincolnshire Fens	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Luton	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Maidstone	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Medway & Swale	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Mendip	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mendip	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Merthyr Cynon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid & East Devon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid & West Dorset	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Mid Staffs	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Milton Keynes	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Monmouthshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Neath Port Talbot	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Newbury	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North Clwyd	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North Cornwall & Devon Borders	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North Devon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North Lanarkshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
North West Kent	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
North West London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
North West Wales	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Northampton	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Northants Central	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Northumberland	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Nottingham	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Nottingham	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer North East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer North London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Outer South East London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer South London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Outer South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer South West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Outer West London	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Oxford	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Oxford	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Pembrokeshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Peterborough	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Plymouth	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Portsmouth	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Reading	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Rotherham	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Rugby & East	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Salisbury	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Salisbury	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Scarborough	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Scottish Borders	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Solihull	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South Cheshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South East Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
South Gwynedd	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South Lanarkshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South West Essex	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
South West Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southampton	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Southend	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)

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“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Southern Greater Manchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Staffordshire North	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Staffordshire North	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Stevenage & North Herts	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Sunderland	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Sussex East	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Swindon	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Taff Rhondda	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Taunton & West Somerset	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Thanet	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Torfaen	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Tyneside	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Vale of Glamorgan	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Walton	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Walton	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)

“1. Broad rental market area	2. Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Warwickshire South	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
West Cumbria	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
West Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
West Lothian	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
West Wiltshire	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Weston-Super-Mare	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Weston-Super-Mare	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Winchester	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Worcester South	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Worcester South	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(c) (two bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)
Worthing	Paragraph 1(1)(e) (four bedrooms)
Yeovil	Paragraph 1(1)(d) (three bedrooms)”. ⁷

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

11th December 2018

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) Order 1997 (S.I. 1997/1984), the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) (Scotland) Order 1997 (S.I. 1997/1995) and the Rent Officers (Universal Credit Functions) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/382) (“the Orders”) to make changes to the manner in which a local housing allowance is determined.

Articles 2, 3 and 4 amend the Orders to provide that, for dwellings (or accommodation, in relation to Universal Credit) in specified categories in specified broad rental market areas, the local housing allowance is the lowest of (a) the rent as last determined plus 3%, (b) the maximum allowance applicable to the dwelling and (c) the rent at the 30th percentile, determined in accordance with the Orders.

These Articles also provide revised amounts of the maximum housing allowance for specified categories of dwellings (or accommodation, in relation to Universal Credit).

For other dwellings, the local housing allowance is the lower of the rent as last determined and the rent at the 30th percentile, determined in accordance with the Orders.

An impact assessment has not been provided for this instrument as it has no impact on business or civil society organisations.