



Government Circular No. 28/00

Department of Local Government and the Environment

**THE HOUSE PURCHASE ASSISTANCE AND REFURBISHMENT (AMENDMENT)  
SCHEME 2000**

*Approved by Tynwald 12<sup>th</sup> July 2000*

**1. Citation and commencement**

This Scheme may be cited as the House Purchase Assistance and Refurbishment (Amendment) Scheme 2000 and shall come into operation on the day on which it is approved by Tynwald.

**2. Amendment of the House Purchase Assistance Scheme 1999<sup>1</sup>**

(1) The House Purchase Assistance Scheme 1999 is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 3 after sub-paragraph (b) insert

“(c) any person who owns or has previously owned a residential dwelling for a period of 5 years or more and is disposing or has disposed of the dwelling to a person to whom assistance is given for the purpose of acquiring it”

(3) In paragraph 4 delete sub-paragraph (2)(h).

(4) In paragraph 4 after sub-paragraph (2)(g) insert-

“(h) the applicant owns or has previously owned more than one residential dwelling.

(5) In paragraph 6, for sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) substitute-

“(2) The aggregate of assistance and any loan made by an approved mortgage provider shall not exceed -

(a) £85,000, where the applicant does not own and has not previously owned a residential dwelling; or

(b) £110,000, where the applicant owns or has previously owned a residential dwelling.

(3) The amount of assistance shall not in any event exceed-

(a) £16,500, in a case within sub-paragraph (2)(a);

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<sup>1</sup> GC 27/99

(b) £25,000, in a case within sub-paragraph (2)(b).

(3A) The amount of assistance, in relation to the approved income (as defined in paragraph 7) of the applicant as mentioned in column 1 of the following table, shall not exceed the corresponding amount as specified in-

- (a) column 2 of the table, in a case within sub-paragraph (2)(a);
- (b) column 3 of the table, in a case within sub-paragraph (2)(b).

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
<i>Approved Income</i>	<i>Maximum Assistance</i>	<i>Maximum Assistance</i>
<i>not exceeding £18,000</i>	<i>£16,500</i>	<i>£25,000</i>
<i>£18,000 to £18,999</i>	<i>£13,200</i>	<i>£22,000</i>
<i>£19,000 to £19,999</i>	<i>£9,900</i>	<i>£19,000</i>
<i>£20,000 to £20,999</i>	<i>£6,600</i>	<i>£16,000</i>
<i>£21,000 to £21,999</i>	<i>£3,300</i>	<i>£13,000</i>
<i>£22,000 or over</i>	<i>NIL</i>	<i>NIL</i>

**3. Amendment of the House Purchase and Refurbishment Scheme 1991<sup>2</sup>**

- (1) The House Purchase and Refurbishment Scheme 1991 is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 5(6) after “as the case may be, plus” insert “a charge which shall be”
- (3) After paragraph 5(6) insert-

“(6A) If a charge falls due under 5(6) above due to the sale of the property to an assisted person under House Purchase Assistance Scheme 1999<sup>1</sup>, the charge shall be converted to grant assistance under the terms of paragraph 5 of the 1999 Scheme subject to the maximum assistance eligible in column 3 of the table under 6(3A) of that Scheme. Any charge in excess of the maximum assistance shall be repayable.

MADE 14<sup>th</sup> June 2000

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<sup>2</sup> GC 21/91