

# STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS.

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I, DARRAGH O'BRIEN, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 3, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20 and 22 of the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Act 2022 (No. 28 of 2022), having had regard to I.S. 465:2018, and, in respect of Regulation 5, with the consent of the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform (as adapted by the Public Expenditure and Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2023 (S.I. No. 19 of 2023)), hereby make the following regulations:

#### PART 1

#### PRELIMINARY AND GENERAL

#### Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks (Amendment) Regulations 2024.

#### Definition

2. In these Regulations, Principal Regulations means the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Regulations 2023 (S.I. No. 347 of 2023).

#### PART 2

# AMENDMENT OF PRINCPAL REGULATIONS

#### **Public services card**

3. The Principal Regulations are amended by the substitution of "Public Services Card" for "Public Service Card" in each place where it occurs.

#### Amendment of Regulation 6 of Principal Regulations

- 4. Regulation 6 of the Principal Regulations is amended—
  - (a) by the substitution of "Donegal County Council, Mayo County Council or Sligo County Council" for "Donegal County Council or Mayo County Council" in both places where it occurs,
  - (b) in paragraph (1)(a)(ii)—

- (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,224" for " $\in$ 2,045", and
- (ii) in subclause (II)—
  - (I) by the substitution of " $\in$ 400,320" for " $\in$ 368,100", and
  - (II) by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,346" for " $\in$ 1,250",
- (c) in paragraph (1)(a)(iii)—
  - (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,321" for " $\in$ 2,160", and
  - (ii) in subclause (II)—
    - (I) by the substitution of "€417,780" for "€388,800", and
    - (II) by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,397" for " $\in$ 1,300",
- (d) in paragraph (1)(b)(iii)—
  - (i) in subclause (I)(A), by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,408" for " $\in$ 1,300",
  - (ii) in subclause (I)(B), by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,408" for " $\in$ 1,300",
  - (iii) in subclause (I)(C), by the substitution of "€510" for "€470",
  - (iv) in subclause (II)(A), the substitution of " $\in$ 1,469" for " $\in$ 1,360",
  - (v) in subclause (II)(B), the substitution of " $\in$ 1,469" for " $\in$ 1,360", and
  - (vi) in subclause (II)(C), the substitution of "€530" for "€490",
- (e) in paragraph (4)(b), by the substitution of " $\in$ 462,000" for " $\in$ 420,000".

# Amendment of Regulation 7 of Principal Regulations

- 5. Regulation 7 of the Principal Regulations is amended—
  - (a) by the substitution of "Donegal, Mayo or Sligo" for "Donegal or Mayo" in each place where it occurs,
  - (b) in paragraph (3)(a)(i)—
    - (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,224" for " $\in$ 2,045", and
    - (ii) in subclause (II)—
      - (I) by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,224" for " $\in$ 2,045", and
      - (II) by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,346" for " $\in$ 1,250",

- (c) in paragraph (3)(a)(ii)—
  - (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,321" for " $\in$ 2,160", and
  - (ii) in subclause (II)—
    - (I) by the substitution of " $\in$ 2,321" for " $\in$ 2,160", and
    - (II) by the substitution of " $\in$ 1,397" for " $\in$ 1,300",
- (d) in paragraph (3)(b)—
  - (i) in clause (i), by the substitution of "€704" for "€650", and
  - (ii) in clause (ii), by the substitution of "€734" for "€680",
- (e) in paragraph (3)(c)(i)—
  - (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of "€510" for "€470", and
  - (ii) in subclause (II), by the substitution of "€704" for "€650", and
- (f) in paragraph (3)(c)(ii)—
  - (i) in subclause (I), by the substitution of "€530" for "€490", and
  - (ii) in subclause (II), by the substitution of " $\in$ 734" for " $\in$ 680".

# **Amendment of Schedule 2 to Principal Regulations**

- 6. Schedule 2 to the Principal Regulations is amended—
  - (a) by the insertion of the following in bold text at the end of Part 3 of the form:
    - "Please complete Part 4 if the relevant dwelling is your Principal Private Residence, or complete Part 5 where you are the landlord of the relevant dwelling.",
  - (b) in question 29 of the form, by the deletion of "registered landlord number and", and
  - (c) in question 46 of the form, by the substitution of "Yes No Not applicable/Not a landlord" for "Yes No".

# **Amendment of Schedule 5 to Principal Regulations**

7. Schedule 5 to the Principal Regulations is amended in the Note to question 27, by the substitution of "€462,000" for "€420,000".

# **Amendment of Schedule 6 to Principal Regulations**

8. Schedule 6 to the Principal Regulations is amended by the substitution of "The form specified in the schedule, part A shall be completed by a competent engineer or, where the remediation option is the demolition of the relevant

dwelling, the competent building professional who designed and inspected the works referred to in the interim valuation certificate, and" for "The form specified in the schedule, part A shall be completed by a competent building professional or where the remediation option is the demolition of the relevant dwelling, a competent engineer, and".

# **Amendment of Schedule 12 to Principal Regulations**

- 9. Schedule 12 to the Principal Regulations is amended—
  - (a) by the substitution of "€462,000" for "€420,000" in each place where it occurs,
  - (b) in question 34 in Part 2 of the form, by the substitution of " $\in$ 16,500.00" for " $\in$ 15,000.00", and
  - (c) in question 38 in Part 2 of the form, by the substitution of "€5,500.00" for "€5,000.00" in both places where it occurs.

The Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Regulations.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 7 November, 2024.

#### PASCHAL DONOHOE,

Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 7 November, 2024.

#### DARRAGH O'BRIEN

Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

These Regulations amend the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Regulations 2023 (S.I. No. 347 of 2023). The primary purpose of these Regulations is to provide for an increase in the scheme cap and grant rates payable to eligible homeowners under the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Act 2022 (No. 28 of 2022). A small number of other minor technical amendments have also been made to assist the administration of the scheme.

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