

DEPARTMENT FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS

NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS -
NOTICE OF NEW RATES

THE DIRECTOR OF SAVINGS gives notice that on and from 1st January 1994 the variable rate of interest earned for each day on deposits in an Investment Account with a balance of £25,000 or above will be 6.0 per cent per annum. The rate on an account with a balance of at least £500 but not more than £25,000 will be 5.75 per cent per annum. The rate on an account with a balance of under £500 will be 5.25 per cent per annum.

NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK ORDINARY ACCOUNTS -
NOTICE OF NEW RATES

The Director of Savings gives notice that on and from 1st January 1994 the higher rate of interest payable on deposits on Ordinary Accounts will go down from 3.75 per cent per annum to 3.25 per cent per annum. The standard rate for balances under £500 will go down from 2.5 per cent per annum to 2.0 per cent per annum.

NATIONAL SAVINGS INCOME BONDS -
NOTICE OF NEW RATE

Notice was given in the national press on 17th December 1993 that on and from 29th January 1994 the Treasury rate of interest payable on Income Bonds will go down from 7.0 per cent per annum to 6.5 per cent per annum.

NATIONAL SAVINGS DEPOSIT BONDS -
NOTICE OF NEW RATE

Notice was given in the national press on 17th December 1993 that on and from 29th January 1994 the rate of interest payable on Deposit Bonds will go down from 7.0 per cent per annum to 6.5 per cent per annum.

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PREMIUM SAVINGS BONDS - NOTICE OF NEW RATE
AND SCALE OF PRIZES

THE TREASURY gives notice that on and from 1st April 1994 the rate of interest specified for determining the amount of the prize fund will go up from 5.0 per cent per annum to 5.2 per cent per annum.

Starting with the prize draw for April 1994 the following prize structure will come into operation.

There will be a draw for each month. The large value prizes to be awarded monthly are set out below:

- 1 prize of £1,000,000
- 2 prizes of £100,000
- 3 prizes of £50,000
- 4 prizes of £25,000
- 10 prizes of £10,000
- 25 prizes of £5,000

The cost of the prizes ranging from £1 million to £5,000 inclusive is set aside from the prize fund for the month. The balance of the prize fund is then used to award numbers of further prizes valued at £1,000, £500, £100 and £50 so that the overall total number of monthly

prizes ('the required number') is in the proportion of one prize for every 15,000 eligible bond units.

£1,000 prizes and £500 prizes are allotted in the ratio 1 to 3.

The prize fund remaining, after setting aside the costs of the £1 million to £5,000 prizes, is first used to meet the cost of 125 £1,000 and 375 £500 prizes. The allocation then follows either (i) or (ii) below.

- (i) The remaining sum is allotted to £100 and £50 prizes in a ratio as close as possible to, but not exceeding, 1 to 15 until the overall total number of prizes is equal to the required number. Any further sum remaining is used to increase progressively the number of £1,000 and £500 prizes. For every £1,000 prize created the number of £100 and £50 prizes is reduced by 4 in such a way that the overall ratio of £100 and £50 prizes remains as close as possible to, but does not exceed, 1 to 15. Any balance of £50 or more is allocated to £50 prizes.
- (ii) The remaining sum is allocated to £100 and £50 prizes in the ratio 1 to 15. If the total number of prizes is now fewer than the required number, the £100 prizes are progressively re-allocated as £50 prizes until the required number is achieved or all the £100 prizes are re-allocated. If the required number has then not been reached, £1,000 and £500 prizes are progressively re-allocated as £50 prizes until the required number is reached or exceeded by not more than 45.

If the number of prizes allotted then exceeds the required number, then the necessary number of £50 prizes is consolidated into £100 prizes to bring the total number of prizes to the required number.

Any residual sum of less than £50 is carried forward to the next monthly prize fund.

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INDEX-LINKED NATIONAL SAVINGS

MOVEMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM GENERAL
INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES

FOR the purposes of revaluing on repayment Index-linked National Savings Certificates (Retirement Issue, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Index-linked Issues) and contributions under Save As You Earn savings contracts (Third Issue) and for revising the annual rate of interest for Indexed-Income Bonds the Index figure issued by the Central Statistical Office in the month of December and applicable to the month of January 1994 is 141.6. This figure is based on the revised reference base of 100 adopted in January 1987. In accordance with the relevant prospectuses a notional Index figure of 558.6 has been calculated and will apply to Index-linked Savings Certificates and Indexed-Income Bonds purchased in March 1987 or earlier and SAYE contributions which were due for payment and made in February 1987 or earlier.

15th December 1993

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