STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026

Made - - - -	*24th March 2026*
Coming into operation	*1st April 2026*
Approved by resolution of the Assembly on 23rd June 2026	

The Department for Communities makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(3) and 9(1) and (2) of the Mesothelioma, etc., Act (Northern Ireland) 2008(**a**).

Citation, commencement and application

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2026 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2026.

(2) In regulation 2—

(a) paragraph (a) applies only in relation to a person—

(i) first diagnosed with diffuse mesothelioma on or after 1st April 2026; or

(ii) where the date of the first diagnosis with diffuse mesothelioma is unknown, if a claim under section 1(1) of the Mesothelioma, etc., Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 is made by that person on or after 1st April 2026; and

(b) paragraph (b) applies only in relation to the dependant of a person who dies on or after 1st April 2026 and who, immediately before death, had diffuse mesothelioma.

Amendment of the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations

2. In the Schedule to the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008(**b**)—

(a) for Table 1 substitute the Table set out in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations; and

(b) for Table 2 substitute the Table set out in Part 2 of the Schedule to these Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 24th March 2026

(**a**) 2008 c. 9 (N.I.); *see* section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 5 (N.I.))
(**b**) S.R. 2008 No. 354; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2025 No. 66

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SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

PART 1

"**Table 1**

Amount of lump sum payment to person with mesothelioma

Age of person with mesothelioma at first diagnosis, or, if unknown, date of claim	*Payment* £
37 or under	120,566
38	118,221
39	115,882
40	113,543
41	111,199
42	108,858
43	107,691
44	106,513
45	105,347
46	104,176
47	103,005
48	99,733
49	96,457
50	93,173
51	89,901
52	86,614
53	84,275
54	81,939
55	79,602
56	77,249
57	74,908
58	68,825
59	62,735
60	56,656
61	50,567
62	44,481
63	40,735
64	36,985
65	33,245
66	29,498
67	25,753
68	24,989
69	24,224
70	23,471
71	22,710
72	21,953
73	21,304
74	20,644
75	20,012
76	19,377
77 or over	18,733"

PART 2

"**Table 2**

Amount of lump sum payment to dependant

Age of person with mesothelioma at death	*Payment* £
37 or under	62,743
38	61,396
39	60,049
40	58,703
41	57,358
42	56,013
43	54,723
44	53,424
45	52,145
46	50,858
47	49,573
48	47,994
49	46,409
50	44,831
51	43,257
52	41,676
53	40,381
54	39,099
55	37,811
56	36,515
57	35,231
58	31,668
59	28,091
60	24,526
61	20,954
62	17,379
63	16,359
64	15,347
65	14,308
66	13,286
67 or over	10,387"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008 to increase amounts of lump sums payable to people with diffuse mesothelioma or to their dependants under the Mesothelioma, etc., Act (Northern Ireland) 2008. The increase in the amounts paid from 1st April 2026 in each case is 3.8 per cent, rounded up or down to the nearest £1 as appropriate.

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