shall not be a period of unemployment or incapacity for work, as the case may be."

Dated this 17th day of March, 1953.

Osbert Peake,
Minister of National Insurance.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1953.

Herbert Butcher,
T. G. D. Galbraith,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the National Insurance (Contributions) Regulations, 1948, so as to secure that a person shall not be entitled to be excepted from liability for, and to be credited with, contributions for a period in respect of which he is unable to satisfy any additional conditions for the receipt of unemployment benefit or sickness benefit imposed in his case by regulations, other than the National Insurance (Married Women) Regulations, 1948, made under subsection (4) of section 13 of the National Insurance Act, 1946. The existing provision that a person shall not be entitled to be excepted from liability for, and credited with, contributions for a period for which he is disqualified for receiving unemployment or sickness benefit by reason of subsections (1), (2) and (3) of section 13 and regulations made thereunder remains unchanged.

The preliminary draft of these Regulations was submitted to the National Insurance Advisory Committee in accordance with section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, and their report thereon dated the 19th February, 1953, is contained in House of Commons Paper No. 125 (Session 1952-53) published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office.

1953 No. 1544

The National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1953

Made - - - -	*23rd October,* 1953
Laid before Parliament	*26th October,* 1953
Coming into Operation	*2nd November,* 1953

The Minister of Pensions and National Insurance in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 2 (5) and 5 of the National Insurance Act, 1946(a), and the National Insurance Joint Authority in exercise of the powers conferred by section 10 (3) of that Act, in either case in conjunction with the Treasury so far as relates to matters with regard to which the Treasury

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 67.

have so directed, and in exercise of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1953, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Contributions) Regulations, 1948(**a**), as amended(**b**), (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations") and shall come into operation on the 2nd November, 1953.

Revocation of regulations 7 and 7A of the principal regulations

2. Regulations 7 and 7A(**c**) of the principal regulations (which relate to exception from liability for, and the crediting of, contributions in respect of periods of full time education, full time unpaid apprenticeship and full time training at courses approved by the Minister) are hereby revoked:

Provided that the said regulations shall continue to apply to cases to which they would have applied if these regulations had not been made, being cases in which the full time education, full time unpaid apprenticeship (not being a gainful occupation) or full time training at a course approved by the Minister commenced or again commenced before the date of the coming into operation of these regulations.

Amendment of the principal regulations

3. Immediately after regulation 6 of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation:—

"*Full time education, unpaid apprenticeship and training*

7.—(1) In this regulation "education" means full time education, "apprenticeship" means full time unpaid apprenticeship, "training" means full time training at a course approved by the Minister, and "national service" means whole time service within the meaning of Part I of the National Service Act, 1948(**d**).

(2) For any week of education, apprenticeship or training, a person—

(*a*) shall be excepted from liability to pay a contribution as a non-employed person, and

(*b*) may, if he so desires and is not entitled to be credited with a contribution for that week under paragraph (4) of this regulation, pay a contribution as a non-employed person, and payment thereof may be made at any time before the end of the fourth contribution year following the contribution year in which the education, apprenticeship or training terminated.

(3) Any contribution paid by a person as a non-employed person in accordance with the preceding paragraph shall be treated as equivalent to a contribution of the appropriate class in relation to unemployment and sickness benefit if in respect of the period of three years, disregarding any period of national service, immediately preceding the commencement

(**a**) S.I. 1948/1417; Rev. XVI, p. 164; 1948 I, p. 2767.
(**b**) S.I. 1949/1171; 1950/330, 1947; 1952/1393, 2185; 1953/495: 1949 I, p. 2707; 1950 II, pp. 15, 20; 1952 II, pp. 2140, 2143; 1953 I, p. 1371.
(**c**) *See* regulation 2, National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1952 (S.I. 1952/2185).
(**d**) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 64.

of the education, apprenticeship or training he had paid or had credited to him not less than one hundred and four contributions as an employed or self-employed person.

(4) To persons excepted from liability to pay contributions under paragraph (2) of this regulation, contributions shall be credited as follows:—

(*a*) to any person who has not attained the age of eighteen years there shall be credited for any week of education, apprenticeship or training a contribution of the class specified in relation to his case in sub-paragraph (*c*) of this paragraph;

(*b*) to any person who has attained the age of eighteen years there shall be credited for any week of training a contribution of the class specified in relation to his case in the succeeding sub-paragraph if—

(i) the training was not, at its commencement, intended to continue for more than one year or, in the case of a person undergoing a course of training provided under the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act, 1944(a), such longer period as the Minister may in such case think fit, and

(ii) he has, unless the Minister is of the opinion that in the circumstances of his case it is reasonable to dispense with this condition, paid or had credited to him not less than one hundred and four contributions as an employed or self-employed person in respect of the three years, disregarding any period of national service, preceding the commencement of the training, and

(iii) immediately before the commencement of the training there were, in the opinion of the Minister, having regard to his particular circumstances and the industrial conditions in the district in which he ordinarily resides, reasonable grounds for believing that unless he underwent training he would become, or remain, unemployed.

(*c*) Contributions specified for the purposes of the two preceding sub-paragraphs are—

(i) in the case of a person who satisfies Condition I or Condition II of the Schedule to these regulations, a contribution as an employed person;

(ii) in the case of a person who satisfies Condition III or Condition IV of the said Schedule (but not Condition I or Condition II thereof), a contribution as a self-employed person;

(iii) in the case of a person who satisfies none of the Conditions of the said Schedule, a contribution as a non-employed person.

(5) For the purposes of unemployment and sickness benefit only—

(*a*) a person who—

(i) has made a claim for unemployment or sickness benefit after the termination of education, apprenticeship or training; and

(ii) has paid twenty-six contributions of the appropriate class, excluding contributions paid in respect of him for any period of national service, since his entry into insurance under the Act;

(a) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 10.

shall, subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, be credited with a contribution of the appropriate class for any week of education, apprenticeship or training, being education, apprenticeship or training which commenced before he paid the twenty-sixth contribution referred to in head (ii) of this sub-paragraph.

(*b*) A contribution shall not be credited to any person under this paragraph in respect of any week—

(i) for which a contribution of the appropriate class is payable; or

(ii) which occurred before the beginning of the contribution year immediately preceding the benefit year which includes the period for which benefit is claimed.

(6) For the purposes of regulations 2 and 3 of these regulations, when a person has in any benefit year made a claim for unemployment or sickness benefit (as the case may be) and such claim has been allowed by reason of his having been credited with contributions under the preceding paragraph, he shall be deemed to have satisfied Condition I of the Schedule to these regulations in respect of any week in that benefit year other than a week commencing before the first day in that year for which he made such claim."

Consequential revocations

4. In consequence of, and subject to, the foregoing provisions of these regulations, the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto are hereby revoked to the extent mentioned in the third column of that Schedule.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance this 19th day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

(L.S.) *Osbert Peake,*
Minister of Pensions and National Insurance.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Insurance Joint Authority this 19th day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

(L.S.) *T. C. Stephens,*
Secretary,
National Insurance Joint Authority.

Dated this 23rd day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

Dennis Vosper,
Martin Redmayne,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS REVOKED Regulation 4

Statutory Instrument	Citation	Extent of Revocation
S.I. 1949 (No. 1171) I, p. 2707.	The National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1949.	The whole of the regulations.
S.I. 1950 (No. 1947) II, p. 20.	The National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1950.	In regulation 2 the words " and regulation 7 "; regulation 4; in regulation 5 the words " sub-paragraph (*c*) (i) of paragraph (2) or paragraph (3) of "; so much of the Schedule as relates to regulation 7 of the principal regulations.
S.I. 1952 (No. 2185)	The National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1952.	The whole of the regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations revoke and replace with amendments the provisions of the National Insurance (Contributions) Regulations, 1948, as amended, relating to exception from liability for, and the crediting of, contributions for periods during which a person is undergoing full time education, full time unpaid apprenticeship or full time training at a course approved by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance. The amendments made to the existing provisions relate mainly to the conditions under which persons undergoing training are entitled to be credited with contributions: to the time limits within which such persons not entitled to credits may pay, if they so wish, contributions as non-employed persons: and to the circumstances in which such contributions may be taken into account for the purposes of unemployment and sickness benefit. Other amendments are of a minor or consequential character.

The preliminary draft of these Regulations was submitted to the National Insurance Advisory Committee in accordance with section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, and their report thereon dated 16th July, 1953 is contained in the House of Commons Paper No. 298 (Session 1952-3) published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office.