STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 1480

SOCIAL SECURITY

The National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1973

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The National Insurance Joint Authority, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 45 and 50(1)(*a*) of the National Insurance Act 1965**(a)** and now vested in them**(b)**, and the Secretary of State for Social Services**(c)**, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 49 and 55(1) of and paragraphs 17 and 18 of Schedule 11 to that Act, paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the National Insurance Act 1969**(d)** and section 1 of the National Insurance Act 1970**(e)**, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and in conjunction with the Treasury so far as relates to matters with regard to which the Treasury have so directed**(f)**, hereby make the following regulations, which contain no provisions other than such as are made in consequence of the National Insurance and Supplementary Benefit Act 1973**(g)** and which accordingly, by virtue of paragraph 2(1)(*a*) of Schedule 6 to that Act, are exempt from the requirements of section 108 of the National Insurance Act 1965 (reference to the National Insurance Advisory Committee):—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1973, and shall come into operation on 1st October 1973.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the principal Act" means the National Insurance Act 1965;

"the Act of 1969" means the National Insurance Act 1969;

"the Act of 1971" means the National Insurance Act 1971**(h)**;

"the Act of 1973" means the National Insurance and Supplementary Benefit Act 1973;

and other expressions have the same meanings as in the principal Act.

(a) 1965 c. 51.
(b) *See* S.I. 1948/211 (Rev. XVI, p. 367: 1948 I, p. 2905) and sections 104(4)(*b*) and 117(1) of the National Insurance Act 1965 (c.51).
(c) For transfer of functions from the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance to (eventually) the Secretary of State, *see* Ministry of Social Security Act 1966 (c. 20) and S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p. 4585).
(d) 1969 c. 44. **(e)** 1970 c. 51.
(f) *See* section 106(5) of the National Insurance Act 1965.
(g) 1973 c. 42. **(h)** 1971 c. 50.

(3) References in these regulations to any enactment or regulation shall, except in so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as references to such enactment or regulations as amended or extended by or under any other enactment, order or regulations and as including references to any enactment or regulation thereby consolidated.

(4) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889**(a)** shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Higher rates and amounts of benefit payable under regulations

2. Subject to the provisions of regulations 5 and 7 of these regulations, as from the dates specified in Schedule A column 1 of these regulations there shall be substituted for each of the Tables mentioned in column 2 thereof the Table mentioned in the Schedule set opposite thereto in column 3.

Miscellaneous amendments relating to benefit and to contributions

3.—(1) As from the dates specified in Schedule J column 1 of these regulations, there shall in the regulations mentioned in column 2 thereof be made the amendments specified against those regulations mentioned in columns 3 and 4 thereof.

(2) As from 1st October 1973, Schedule 2 to the National Insurance (New Entrants Transitional) Regulations 1949**(b)**, as amended**(c)** (amounts payable, by way of refund of contributions, to persons entering insurance too late to be able to satisfy contribution conditions for widow's benefit or retirement pension), shall be amended by the addition thereto, at the end, of the provisions set out in Schedule K to these regulations.

Conditions relating to payment of additional benefit under awards made before the appointed or prescribed day

4. Where an award of any benefit under the principal Act has been made before the day appointed or prescribed for the payment of benefit of the description to which the award relates at a higher weekly rate by virtue of the Act of 1973 or of these regulations, paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 6 to the Act of 1969 (effect of any such award) shall, if the period to which the award relates has not ended before that day, have effect subject to the condition that, if the award has not been made in accordance with the provisions of sub-paragraph (2) of the said paragraph 3 (which sub-paragraph authorises the making of such an award providing for the payment of the benefit at the higher weekly rate as from that day) and a question arises as to—

(*a*) the weekly rate at which the benefit is payable by virtue of the Act of 1973 or of these regulations, or

(*b*) whether the conditions for the receipt of the benefit at the higher weekly rate are satisfied,

the benefit shall be or continue to be payable at the weekly rate specified in the award until the said question shall have been determined in accordance with the provisions of the principal Act.

(a) 1889 c. 63. **(b)** S.I. 1949/352 (1949 I, p. 2737).
(c) As last amended by S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).

Persons not ordinarily resident in Great Britain

5.—(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of these or any other regulations, but subject to the provisions of this regulation, a person who is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain immediately before 1st October 1973 (in this regulation referred to as "the said date") shall, unless and until that person becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain, be disqualified for receiving—

(*a*) in the case of a woman who immediately before the said date is a married woman and had not retired from regular employment, any additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance if the husband before the said date had retired from regular employment and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain;

(*b*) in the case of a woman who immediately before the said date is a widow, any additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance if her husband had died before the said date;

(*c*) in any other case, any additional retirement pension (not being additional retirement pension to which either of the two foregoing sub-paragraphs applies) if that person had retired from regular employment before the said date;

(*d*) any additional widow's benefit if her husband had died or retired before the said date;

(*e*) any additional child's special allowance if her former husband had died before the said date.

(2) Notwithstanding as aforesaid, if immediately before the said date a person is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain but that person has, or would, but for the absence of any child from Great Britain, have in his family immediately before the said date a child in relation to whom the conditions for guardian's allowance specified in section 29 of the principal Act are satisfied, that person and any other person who would otherwise be entitled to any additional guardian's allowance in respect of that child shall be disqualified for receiving any additional guardian's allowance in respect of that child unless and until the child becomes (or is) included in the family of a person who is ordinarily resident in Great Britain.

(3) The disqualifications for the receipt of additional benefit contained in this regulation shall not apply to a person for any period during which he is in Great Britain.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation references to additional benefit of any description are to be construed as referring to additional benefit of that description by virtue (either directly or indirectly) of any provision of the Act of 1973 or of these regulations.

(5) A widow who—

(*a*) is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain immediately before the said date, and was entitled to widow's benefit immediately before attaining pensionable age, or who would, but for any provision of the principal Act disqualifying her for the receipt of such benefit, have been so entitled; and

(*b*) is or becomes entitled to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance the right to which is calculated by taking into account under section 33 of the principal Act her husband's contributions;

shall be disqualified for receiving any additional retirement pension the right to which is so calculated unless and until she becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain if—

(i) her husband died before the said date; or

(ii) before the said date he had retired from regular employment and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain.

(6) The provisions of paragraph 3(1) of Part II of Schedule 6 to the Act of 1969 shall apply where, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this regulation, benefit of an amount higher than the amount awarded to a person has in fact been paid to him.

(7) The disqualification for the receipt of additional retirement pension contained in paragraph (1)(*c*) of this regulation shall not apply to a woman in relation to a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance if that husband had not retired from regular employment before the said date and either—

(i) he was her husband immediately before that date; or

(ii) she married him on or after that date.

Amendment of the National Insurance (General Benefit) Regulations 1970

6. For regulation 7 (contribution to maintenance of adult dependants) of the National Insurance (General Benefit) Regulations 1970**(a)**, as amended**(b)**, there shall be substituted the following regulation:—

"*Contribution to maintenance of adult dependant*

7.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this regulation, for the purposes of section 43(1) or 43A(1) of the Act (increase of unemployment benefit, sickness benefit, invalidity benefit or retirement pension in respect of a wife) or of regulation 5(1)(*c*) or 5A(1)(*b*)(ii) of these regulations (increase of unemployment benefit, sickness benefit, invalidity benefit or retirement pension in respect of a female person having the care of a child or children of the beneficiary's family)—

(*a*) a beneficiary shall not be deemed to satisfy the requirement contained in the said section 43(1) or 43A(1) or the said regulation 5(1)(*c*) or 5A(1)(*b*)(ii) that he is contributing to the maintenance of the wife or female person, as the case may be, at a weekly rate of not less than the appropriate amount set out in column 5 of Part II of Schedule 3 to the Act unless when in employment, or not incapable of work, or not retired from regular employment, as the case may be (except in a case where the dependancy did not arise until after that time), he contributed to her maintenance at a weekly rate of not less than that amount; and

(*b*) in a case where an increase of benefit is, apart from the said requirement, payable at a weekly rate less than that specified in the said column 5, a beneficiary shall, subject to the foregoing paragraph, be deemed to satisfy the said requirement if he is contributing to the maintenance of the wife or female person, as the case may be, at a weekly rate of not less than that of the increase.

(a) S.I. 1970/1981 (1970 III, p. 6461).
(b) The relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1971/1419, 1633 (1971 II, p. 3964; III, p. 4496).

(2) Where a person within 1 month of having been or of being deemed to have been entitled to an increase of unemployment benefit or sickness benefit under section 43(1) of the Act or regulation 5(1)(*c*) of these regulations at the lower of the two weekly rates of increase of those benefits referred to in column 5 of Part II of Schedule 3 to the Act would, if he satisfied the condition imposed by paragraph (1)(*a*) of this regulation and the relevant contribution conditions, be entitled to an increase of benefit under the said section 43(1) or regulation 5(1)(*c*) or under section 43A(1) of the Act or regulation 5A(1)(*b*)(ii) of these regulations at the highest weekly rate referred to in the said column 5, he shall be deemed to satisfy that condition in relation to the said highest weekly rate if he satisfies it in relation to the said lower of the two weekly rates.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2) of this regulation, a person shall be deemed to have been entitled to an increase of unemployment benefit or sickness benefit under section 43(1) of the Act or regulation 5(1)(*c*) of these regulations at the lower of the two weekly rates of increase of those benefits referred to in column 5 of Part II of Schedule 3 to the Act if (assuming satisfaction of the relevant contribution conditions) he would have been so entitled but for the provisions of section 43(1)(*b*) of the Act or, as the case may be, regulation 5(2)(*b*) of these regulations.".

Transitory provision

7. As respects the period beginning on 1st October 1973 and ending on 3rd October 1973, the rate of a person's unemployment or sickness benefit for any day in the said period payable by virtue of section 19(3) of the principal Act or invalidity pension payable by virtue of section 3(4) of the Act of 1971 (unemployment benefit, sickness benefit and invalidity pension for persons over pensionable age) shall be determined as if the day from which higher rates of retirement pension payable by virtue of the foregoing provisions of these regulations were 4th October 1973.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Insurance Joint Authority.

(L.S.)

Keith Joseph,
Secretary of State for Social Services, a member of the National Insurance Joint Authority.

10th August 1973.

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Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

17th August 1973.

Regulation 2

SCHEDULE A

Date of operation	Existing table	Schedule containing substituted table
1	2	3
4th October 1973	The National Insurance (Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) Regulations 1967(a) Table contained in Schedule 2, as amended(b)	Schedule B
1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Maternity Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1954(c) Table contained in regulation 13, as amended(d)	Schedule C
1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1972(e) Table contained in the Schedule	Schedule D
1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Beneficiaries and Other Persons) (Transitional) Regulations 1948(f) Table contained in Schedule 1, as amended (g)	Schedule E
	Table contained in Schedule 2, as amended(h)	Schedule F
	Table contained in Schedule 3, as amended (i)	Schedule G
1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Contributors) (Transitional) Regulations 1948(j) Table contained in Schedule 2, as amended(k)	Schedule H
	Tables contained in Schedule 5 Part III, as amended(l)	Schedule I

(a) S.I. 1967/330 (1967 I, p. 1131).
(b) As amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and B to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).
(c) S.I. 1954/189 (1954 I, p. 1387).
(d) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and C to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).
(e) S.I. 1972/606 (1972 I, p. 2011).
(f) S.I. 1948/55 (Rev. XVI, p. 36: 1948 I, p. 2822).
(g) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and E to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p.3926).
(h) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and F to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).
(i) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and G to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).
(j) S.I. 1948/612 (Rev. XVI, p. 18: 1948 I, p. 2834).
(k) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and H to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).
(l) As last amended by reg. 2 of and Schedules A and I to S.I. 1972/1302(1972 II, p. 3926).

SCHEDULE B

Regulation 2

1	2	3	4	5
Number of contributions paid or credited in the relevant contribution year	Full weekly rate of benefit applicable under Schedule 3 to the Act			
	£ 7·35	£ 5·15	£ 4·55	£ 4·05
	Reduced rate at which benefit is payable			
	£	£	£	£
48—49	7·05	5·07	4·38	3·90
46—47	6·76	4·92	4·22	3·75
43—45	6·46	4·62	4·02	3·61
40—42	5·93	4·32	3·73	3·36
37—39	5·37	3·89	3·45	3·08
34—36	4·82	3·48	3·08	2·83
30—33	4·25	3·09	2·69	2·49
26—29	3·68	2·58	2·28	2·03

SCHEDULE C

Regulation 2

Numbers including the number of contributions paid or credited in respect of the relevant period 1	Weekly rate	
	Of maternity allowance without increase 2	Of increase in respect of adult dependant 3
	£	£
48—49	7·05	4·38
46—47	6·76	4·22
43—45	6·46	4·02
40—42	5·93	3·73
37—39	5·37	3·45
34—36	4·82	3·08
30—33	4·25	2·69
26—29	3·68	2·28

Regulation 2

SCHEDULE D

1	2	3	4
Yearly average of contributions paid or credited	Full weekly rate of benefit applicable under Schedule 3 to the National Insurance Act 1965		
	£ 10·85	£ 7·75	£ 4·75
	Reduced rate at which benefit payable		
	£	£	£
48—49	10·40	7·44	4·58
46—47	9·95	7·13	4·41
43—45	9·43	6·82	4·20
40—42	8·76	6·26	3·90
37—39	7·98	5·67	3·61
34—36	7·13	5·09	3·22
30—33	6·28	4·49	2·82
26—29	5·43	3·88	2·38
22—25	4·59	3·31	1·99
18—21	3·78	2·71	1·64
13—17	2·89	2·17	1·37

Regulation 2

SCHEDULE E

Rate of widow's basic pension or contributory old age pension by virtue of husband's insurance and rate (apart from additional allowance or increase) of widow's pension immediately before the appointed day	Corresponding rate of widowed mother's allowance, widow's pension or retirement pension for a widow by virtue of husband's insurance	Corresponding increased rate of widow's basic pension or of contributory old age pension by virtue of husband's insurance
1	2	3
s. d.	£	£
9 0	6·98	2·14
8 0	6·19	1·88
7 0	5·43	1·62
6 0	4·65	1·34
5 0	3·88	1·16
4 0	—	0·99
3 0	—	0·72
2 0	—	0·52

SCHEDULE F

Regulation 2

Rate of retirement pension 1	Corresponding rate of increase in respect of an adult dependant or of retirement pension for a wife 2
£	£
6·98	4·28
6·41	3·90
6·19	3·82
5·67	3·41
5·43	3·34
5·09	3·15
4·65	2·82
4·49	2·75
4·24	2·68
3·88	2·38
3·49	2·27
3·31	2·04
3·10	1·99
2·92	1·89
2·71	1·73
2·61	1·50
2·33	1·45
2·17	1·37
1·94	1·22
1·84	1·08
1·55	0·93
1·40	0·93
1·16	0·81
1·06	0·57
0·85	0·57
0·70	0·54
0·68	0·46

Regulation 2

SCHEDULE G

Rate at which an old age or widow's pension would, apart from the Increase of Pensions Regulations and but for the repeal of the Contributory Pensions Acts, have been payable	Rate of retirement pension (except in a case where column 4 applies) being the rate at which an old age or widow's pension would, but for the repeal of the Contributory Pensions Acts, have been payable	Corresponding increased rate of retirement pension	Rate of retirement pension for wife by virtue of husband's insurance, where he is alive, being the rate at which an old age pension would, but for the repeal of the Contributory Pensions Acts, have been payable	Corresponding increased rate of retirement pension
1	2	3	4	5
s. d.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.	£
9 0	1 3 0	6·98	14 0	4·28
8 3	1 1 0	6·41	12 6	3·90
8 0	1 0 0	6·19	12 0	3·82
7 3	18 6	5·67	11 0	3·41
7 0	18 0	5·43	11 0	3·34
6 6	16 6	5·09	10 0	3·15
6 0	15 0	4·65	9 0	2·82
5 9	14 6	4·49	9 0	2·75
5 6	14 0	4·24	8 6	2·68
5 0	13 0	3·88	8 0	2·38
4 6	11 6	3·49	7 0	2·27
4 3	11 0	3·31	6 6	2·04
4 0	10 0	3·10	6 0	1·99
3 9	9 6	2·92	6 0	1·89
3 6	9 0	2·71	5 6	1·73
3 3	8 6	2·61	5 0	1·50
3 0	8 0	2·33	5 0	1·45
2 9	7 0	2·17	4 6	1·37
2 6	6 6	1·94	4 0	1·22
2 3	6 0	1·84	3 6	1·08
2 0	5 0	1·55	3 0	0·93
1 9	4 6	1·40	3 0	0·93
1 6	4 0	1·16	2 6	0·81
1 3	3 6	1·06	2 0	0·57
1 0	3 0	0·85	2 0	0·57
9	2 0	0·70	1 6	0·54
6	1 6	0·68	1 0	0·46

SCHEDULE H

Regulation 2

Yearly average of contributions paid or credited 1	Reduced rate at which pension is payable 2
	£
48—49	2·23
46—47	2·14
43—45	2·04
40—42	1·88
37—39	1·70
34—36	1·53
30—33	1·34
26—29	1·16
22—25	0·99
18—21	0·81
13—17	0·65

SCHEDULE I

TABLE 1

Regulation 2

Rate at which an old age pension would, but for the repeal of the Contributory Pensions Acts, have been payable 1	Corresponding rate of retirement pension where pensionable age attained during period:—				
	From 5th July 1948 to 4th July 1949 2	From 5th July 1949 to 4th July 1950 3	From 5th July 1950 to 4th July 1951 4	From 5th July 1951 to 4th July 1952 5	From 5th July 1952 to 4th July 1953 6
£ s. d.	£	£	£	£	£
1 3 0	7·13	7·13	7·44	7·44	7·44
1 0 0	6·41	6·64	6·98	7·13	7·44
18 0	5·74	6·19	6·64	7·13	7·44
15 0	4·81	5·43	6·41	6·98	7·44
13 0	4·24	5·17	6·19	6·64	7·44
10 0	3·78	4·65	5·43	6·41	7·13
8 0	3·10	3·88	5·17	6·41	7·13
5 0	2·17	3·31	4·81	6·19	7·13
3 0	1·55	3·10	4·65	5·74	7·13
— —	0·85	2·33	3·88	5·43	6·98

TABLE 2

Yearly average of contributions paid or credited ...	£ 0·85	£ 1·55	£ 2·17	£ 2·33	£ 3·10	£ 3·31	£ 3·78	£ 3·88	£ 4·24	£ 4·65	£ 4·81	£ 5·17	£ 5·43	£ 5·74	£ 6·19	£ 6·41	£ 6·64	£ 6·98	£ 7·13	£ 7·44
Corresponding rates of retirement pensions:—																				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
48—49	0·83	1·40	1·94	2·23	2·92	3·16	3·49	3·80	4·16	4·49	4·71	5·09	5·35	5·67	5·81	6·19	6·41	6·64	6·98	7·13
46—47	0·83	1·40	1·94	2·23	2·71	3·10	3·31	3·78	3·88	4·24	4·65	4·81	5·17	5·43	5·74	5·81	6·19	6·41	6·64	6·98
43—45	0·83	1·40	1·84	2·17	2·61	2·92	3·16	3·49	3·80	4·16	4·24	4·65	4·81	5·17	5·43	5·67	5·81	6·19	6·41	6·64
40—42	0·83	1·16	1·61	1·94	2·33	2·71	3·10	3·16	3·49	3·80	3·88	4·16	4·49	4·71	5·09	5·17	5·43	5·67	5·74	6·19
37—39	0·70	1·06	1·55	1·84	2·23	2·33	2·71	2·92	3·16	3·49	3·78	3·80	3·88	4·24	4·65	4·71	5·09	5·17	5·35	5·67
34—36	0·70	1·06	1·40	1·55	1·94	2·17	2·33	2·61	2·92	3·16	3·31	3·49	3·78	3·80	4·16	4·24	4·49	4·65	4·71	5·09
30—33	0·68	0·85	1·16	1·40	1·84	1·94	2·17	2·23	2·33	2·71	2·92	3·10	3·16	3·31	3·78	3·80	3·88	4·16	4·24	4·49
26—29	0·68	0·83	1·06	1·16	1·55	1·61	1·84	1·94	2·17	2·23	2·33	2·61	2·71	2·92	3·10	3·16	3·31	3·49	3·78	3·80
22—25	0·68	0·70	0·85	1·06	1·16	1·40	1·55	1·61	1·84	1·84	1·94	2·17	2·23	2·33	2·61	2·71	2·92	2·92	3·10	3·16
18—21	0·47	0·68	0·83	0·85	1·06	1·16	1·16	1·40	1·55	1·55	1·61	1·84	1·84	1·94	2·17	2·23	2·33	2·33	2·61	2·61
13—17	0·47	0·68	0·70	0·70	0·83	0·85	0·85	1·06	1·16	1·16	1·40	1·55	1·55	1·55	1·61	1·61	1·84	1·84	1·94	1·94

TABLE 3

Rate of retirement pension	Corresponding rate of increase in respect of an adult dependant or of retirement pension for a wife	Rate of retirement pension	Corresponding rate of increase in respect of an adult dependant or of retirement pension for a wife
1	2	3	4
£	£	£	£
7·44	4·58	3·49	2·27
7·13	4·35	3·31	2·04
6·98	4·28	3·16	2·04
6·64	4·13	3·10	1·99
6·41	3·90	2·92	1·89
6·19	3·82	2·71	1·73
5·81	3·61	2·61	1·50
5·74	3·53	2·33	1·45
5·67	3·41	2·23	1·37
5·43	3·34	2·17	1·37
5·35	3·22	1·94	1·22
5·17	3·15	1·84	1·08
5·09	3·15	1·61	1·08
4·81	2·87	1·55	0·93
4·71	2·87	1·40	0·93
4·65	2·82	1·16	0·81
4·49	2·75	1·06	0·57
4·24	2·68	0·85	0·57
4·16	2·45	0·83	0·54
3·88	2·38	0·70	0·54
3·80	2·31	0·68	0·46
3·78	2·31	0·47	0·39

Regulation 3(1)

SCHEDULE J

Date of operation	Regulations amended	Amendments	
		There shall be substituted for the expressions specified in column 3 (wherever they occur) the expressions specified in column 4	
1	2	3	4
1. 1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Beneficiaries and other Persons) (Transitional) Regulations 1948 regulations 9(3) and 10 as amended(a) (Rates of converted retirement pension for existing beneficiaries, of increase of retirement pension in respect of adult dependants, and of retirement pension for wives of certain existing beneficiaries)		
	Regulation 9(3) proviso	2nd October 1972 £6·75 4·15	1st October 1973 £7·75 4·75
	Regulation 10(1)	£6·75	£7·75
	Regulation 10(2) proviso (*a*)	2nd October 1972	1st October 1973
2. 1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Contributors) (Transitional) Regulations 1948 (Rates of benefit for certain widows over the age of 50 on the appointed day who are existing contributors)		
	Regulation 11(4)(*a*) as amended(b)	£6·75	£7·75

(a) The relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1951/1232, 1957/1950, 1965/40, 1969/1361, 1970/46, 1971/1220, 1972/1302 (1951 I, p. 1457; 1957 I, p. 1704; 1965 I, p. 47; 1969 III, p. 4048; 1970 I, p. 243; 1971 II, p. 3556; 1972 II, p. 3926).

(b) As last amended by regulation 3(1) and Schedule J of S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).

SCHEDULE J (continued)

Date of operation	Regulations amended	Amendments	
		There shall be substituted for the expressions specified in column 3 (wherever they occur) the expressions specified in column 4	
1	2	3	4
3. The date in relation to any benefit under the principal Act as from which the weekly rate of that benefit is increased by virtue of the Act of 1973 or of these Regulations	The National Insurance (Hospital In-Patients) Regulations 1972(a), as amended(b) regulations 3, 4, 5 and 7 (Reduction in certain circumstances of weekly rates of benefit in the case of hospital in-patients)		
	Regulation 3(3)	£1·60	£1·80
		£1·35	£1·55
	Regulation 4	£1·35	£1·55
		£2·70	£3·10
	Regulation 5(1)	£1·60	£1·80
		£1·35	£1·55
	Regulation 5(2)	£2·95	£3·35
		£2·70	£3·10
		£1·35	£1·55
	Regulation 5(3)(*a*)	£2·70	£3·10
	Regulation 5(3)(*b*)	£4·30	£4·90
		£4·05	£4·65
	Regulation 5(4)(*c*)	£1·60	£1·80
		£1·35	£1·55
	Regulation 5(4)(*d*)	£3·95	£4·55
	Regulation 7(3) and (4) ...	£1·35	£1·55
		£1·60	£1·80
		£2·95	£3·35
		£2·70	£3·10
4. 1st October 1973.	The National Insurance (Hospital In-Patients) Regulations 1972(a), as amended (b) (Benefit payable on discharge from a hospital or similar institution).		
	Regulation 8(2)	£10·00	£12·00

(a) S.I. 1972/603 (1972 I, p. 1979).

(b) As amended by regulation 3(1) and Schedule J of S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).

SCHEDULE J (continued)

Date of operation	Regulations amended	Amendments	
		There shall be substituted for the expressions specified in column 3 (wherever they occur) the expressions specified in column 4	
1	2	3	4
5. 1st October 1973	The National Insurance (New Entrants Transitional) Regulations 1949**(a)** (Modification of provisions of the Act relating to retirement pensions in the case of certain widows) Regulation 5(2)(*a*) as amended**(b)**	£6·75	£7·75
6. 1st October 1973	The National Insurance (Old Persons' Pensions) Regulations 1970**(c)** (Rates of benefit for or in respect of persons over pensionable age on 5th July 1948) Regulation 7 as amended**(b)**	£4·05	£4·65

(a) S.I. 1949/352 (1949 I, p. 2737).

(b) As last amended by regulation 3(1) and Schedule J to S.I. 1972/1302 (1972 II, p. 3926).

(c) S.I. 1970/1280 (1970 II, p. 4168).

SCHEDULE K

PROVISIONS TO BE ADDED TO SCHEDULE 2 TO THE NATIONAL INSURANCE (NEW ENTRANTS TRANSITIONAL) REGULATIONS 1949

11. Applicable (in substitution for the provisions of paragraph 10 of this Schedule) to contributions in respect of contribution weeks commencing on or after 1st October 1973.

Men				Women			
Age of man at expiration of period of currency of contribution card on which contribution was paid	Employed	Self-employed	Non-employed	Age of woman at expiration of period of currency of contribution card on which contribution was paid	Employed	Self-employed	Non-employed
	Portion of contribution to be refunded				Portion of contribution to be refunded		
	pence 45	pence 130	pence 130		pence 39	pence 97	pence 97
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Total number of pence to be refunded (including interest) in respect of each contribution				Total number of pence to be refunded (including interest) in respect of each contribution		
65 and over	45	131	131	60 and over	39	98	98
64	46	133	133	59	40	99	99
63	47	137	137	58	41	102	102
62	48	140	140	57	42	104	104
61	50	144	144	56	43	107	107
60	51	147	147	55	44	110	110
59	52	151	151	54	45	113	113
58	54	155	155	53	46	115	115

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations are, by virtue of paragraph 2(1)(*a*) of Schedule 6 to the National Insurance and Supplementary Benefit Act 1973, exempt from reference to the National Insurance Advisory Committee and no such reference has been made.

The Regulations increase the rates of benefit payable under certain Regulations made under the National Insurance Acts 1965 to 1972, or deemed by virtue of section 117 of the National Insurance Act 1965 to have been made under that Act, in order to bring them into conformity with the higher rates of benefit payable under the 1965 Act by virtue of the Act of 1973, and contain other provisions of a minor or consequential character.

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