STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 128

PENSIONS

The Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions (Amendment) Order 2025

Made - - - -	*5th February 2025*
Laid before Parliament	*12th February 2025*
Coming into force in accordance with article 2	

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 5th day of February 2025

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

His Majesty considers it expedient to amend the Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 2006(**a**).

ACCORDINGLY, His Majesty, in pursuance of sections 12(1) and 24(3) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1977(**b**) and of all other powers enabling Him to do so, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order as follows.

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions (Amendment) Order 2025.

Commencement

2.—(1) This Order, subject to paragraph (2), comes into force on 21st March 2025.

(2) Articles 6 and 7 come into force on 7th April 2025.

Extent

3. This Order extends to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

(**a**) S.I. 2006/606; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2013/388, 2022/147, 2024/191 and S.R. 2016 No. 228.
(**b**) 1977 c. 5; section 24(3) was amended by section 4 of, and paragraph 46 of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6).

Amendment of the Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 2006

4. The Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 2006 ("the principal Order") is amended as follows.

Amendment to article 20 (mobility supplement)

5. In article 20(1) (mobility supplement) of the principal Order—

(a) in sub-paragraph (c)(iii)—

(i) after "disability living allowance" insert "at the higher rate";

(ii) delete "having been deemed, by virtue of section 74(1) of the relevant Act, to be suffering from such disablement as is mentioned in subsection (1)(a) of section 73 of the relevant Act and to satisfy the requirements of subsection (9) of that section";

(b) after sub-paragraph (c)(v) insert—

"(vi) has been in receipt of the mobility component of Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance at the higher rate given in accordance with regulations made under section 31 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018; or(**a**)".

Amendment to Schedule 1 (disablement due to service in the armed forces)

6. In Schedule 1 to the principal Order—

(a) for the table in Part 2 substitute the table in Schedule 1 to this Order;

(b) for tables 1 and 2 in Part 3 substitute tables 1 and 2 in Schedule 2 to this Order; and

(c) for the table in Part 4 substitute the table in Schedule 3 to this Order.

Amendment to Schedule 2 (death due to service in the armed forces)

7. In Schedule 2 to the principal Order—

(a) for tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in Part 2 substitute tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 in Schedule 4 to this Order; and

(b) for the table in Part 3 substitute the table in Schedule 5 to this Order.

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

(**a**) S.R. 2018 No. 9.

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Article 6(a)

TABLE TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE TABLE IN PART 2 OF SCHEDULE 1 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER

"1. WEEKLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR DISABLED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES IN GROUPS 10-15 OF PART 1 OF THIS SCHEDULE

2. YEARLY RATES OF RETIRED PAY AND PENSIONS FOR DISABLED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES IN GROUPS 1-9 OF PART 1 OF THIS SCHEDULE

Degree of Disablement	*Weekly Rate*	*Yearly Rate*
Per Cent	£	£
100	239.00	12,471.00
90	215.10	11,224.00
80	191.20	9,977.00
70	167.30	8,730.00
60	143.40	7,483.00
50	119.50	6,236.00
40	95.60	4,988.00
30	71.70	3,741.00
20	47.80	2,494.00"

SCHEDULE 2

Article 6(b)

TABLES TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR TABLES 1 AND 2 IN PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 1 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER

"Table 1

GRATUITIES PAYABLE FOR SPECIFIED MINOR INJURIES

Description of Injury	*Assessments*	*Groups 1-15*
For the loss of	*Per cent*	£
A. FINGERS		
Index finger—		
More than 2 phalanges including the loss of whole finger	14	11,366.00

Description of Injury	*Assessments*	*Groups 1-15*
For the loss of	*Per cent*	£
More than 1 phalanx but not more than 2 phalanges	11	9,093.00
1 phalanx or part thereof	9	7,576.00
Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of bone	5	4,533.00
Middle Finger—		
More than 2 phalanges including the loss of whole finger	12	9,845.00
More than 1 phalanx but not more than 2 phalanges	9	7,576.00
1 phalanx or part thereof	7	6,057.00
Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of bone	4	3,784.00
Ring or little finger—		
More than 2 phalanges including the loss of whole finger	7	6,057.00
More than 1 phalanx but not more than 2 phalanges	6	5,311.00
1 phalanx or part thereof	5	4,533.00
Guillotine amputation of tip without loss of bone	2	2,270.00
B. TOES		
Great toe—		
Through metatarso-phalangeal joint	14	11,366.00
Part, with some loss of bone	3	3,022.00
1 other toe—		
Through metatarso-phalangeal joint	3	3,022.00
Part, with some loss of bone	1	1,522.00
2 toes excluding great toe—		
Through metatarso-phalangeal joint	5	4,533.00
Part, with some loss of bone	2	2,270.00
3 toes, excluding great toe—		
Through metatarso-phalangeal joint	6	5,311.00

Description of Injury		*Assessments*	*Groups 1-15*
For the loss of		*Per cent*	*£*
	Part, with some loss of bone	3	3,022.00
	4 toes, excluding great toe—		
	Through metatarso-phalangeal joint	9	7,576.00
	Part, with some loss of bone	3	3,022.00

Table 2

GRATUITIES PAYABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FOR DISABLEMENT ASSESSED AT LESS THAN 20 PER CENT NOT BEING A MINOR INJURY SPECIFIED IN TABLE 1

Assessment of degree of disablement			
Groups 1-15	1 to 5 per cent	6 to 14 per cent	15 to 19 per cent
	£3,801	£8,449	£14,777”

SCHEDULE 3

Article 6(c)

TABLE TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE TABLE IN PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 1 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER

“RATES OF ALLOWANCES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF DISABLEMENT AND EARNINGS OR INCOME THRESHOLDS

Description of Allowance		*Rate*	
		Groups 1-9	*Groups 10-15*
1. Constant attendance allowance—			
(a)	under article 8—		
	(i) the part day rate of constant attendance allowance under paragraph (2)	£2,353.00 per annum	£45.10 per week
	(ii) the full day rate of constant attendance allowance under paragraph (3)	£4,707.00 per annum	£90.20 per week
	(iii) the intermediate rate of constant attendance allowance under paragraph (4)	£7,060.00 per annum	£135.30 per week
	(iv) the exceptional rate of constant attendance allowance under paragraph (5)	£9,413.00 per annum	£180.40 per week
(b)	under 71(4)—		
	(i) the rate under paragraph (4)(a)	£4,707.00 per annum(*)	£90.20 per week(*)

Description of Allowance	*Rate*	
	Groups 1-9	*Groups 10-15*
(ii) the rate under paragraph (4)(b)	£9,413.00 per annum(*)	£180.40 per week (*)
2. Exceptionally severe disablement allowance under article 9	£4,707.00 per annum	£90.20 per week
3. Severe disablement occupational allowance under article 10	£2,353.00 per annum	£45.10 per week
4. Allowance for wear and tear of clothing under article 11	£308 per annum	£308 per annum
5. Unemployability allowances—		
(a) Personal allowance under article 12(1)(a)	£7,704.00 per annum	£147.65 per week
(b) Additional allowances for dependants by way of—		
(i) increase of allowance in respect of a spouse, civil partner, adult dependant, dependant living as a spouse or dependant living as a civil partner under article 12(6)(a)	£4,281.00 per annum(*)	£82.05 per week(*)
(ii) increase of allowance under article 12(6)(b)—		
(aa) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child of a member	£997.00 per annum	£19.10 per week
(bb) in respect of each other child of a member	£1,169.00 per annum	£22.40 per week
(cc) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**a**), or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£1,169 per annum	£22.40 per week
For decisions made on or after 9th April 2001		
(c) the annual earnings figure for the purposes of article 12(4) is £10,166.00		
(d) the weekly income figure for the purposes of article 12(6)(a)(i) is £92.05		
6. Invalidity allowance under article 13—		

(**a**) 1992 c. 4.

Description of Allowance		*Rate*	
		Groups 1-9	*Groups 10-15*
(a)	If—	£1,524.00 per annum	£29.20 per week
	(i) the relevant date fell before 5th July 1948;		
	(ii) on the relevant date the member was under the age of 35; or		
	(iii) on the relevant date the member was under the age of 40 and had not attained the age of 65, in the case of the member being a man, or 60, in the case of the member being a woman, before 6th April 1979 and the period in respect of which payment of the allowance is to relate begins on or after 6th April 1979		
(b)	if head (a) does not apply and—		
	(i) on the relevant date the member was under the age of 45; or	£997.00 per annum	£19.10 per week
	(ii) on the relevant date the member was under the age of 50 and had not attained the age of 65, in the case of the member being a man, or 60, in the case of the member being a woman, before 6th April 1979 and the period in respect of which payment of the allowance is to relate begins on or after 6th April 1979		
(c)	if heads (a) and (b) do not apply and on the relevant date the member was a man under the age of 60 or a woman under the age of 55	£498.00 per annum	£9.55 per week
7. Comforts allowance—			
(a)	under article 14(1)(a)	£2,025.00 per annum	£38.80 per week
(b)	under article 14(1)(b)	£1,012.00 per annum	£19.40 per week
8. Allowance for lowered standard of occupation under article 15		£4,702.00 per annum(*)	£90.12 per week(*)
9. Age allowance under article 16 where the degree of pensioned disablement is—			
(a)	40 to 50 per cent	£832.00 per annum	£15.95 per week

Description of Allowance		*Rate*	
		Groups 1-9	*Groups 10-15*
(b)	over 50 per cent, but not exceeding 70 per cent	£1,284.00 per annum	£24.60 per week
(c)	over 70 per cent, but not exceeding 90 per cent	£1,826.00 per annum	£35.00 per week
(d)	over 90 per cent	£2,567.00 per annum	£49.20 per week
10. Part-time treatment allowance under article 19		£109.65 per day(*)	£109.65 per day(*)
11. Mobility supplement under article 20		£4,487.00 per annum	£86.00 per week

(*) Maximum amount payable"

SCHEDULE 4

Article 7(a)

TABLES TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR TABLES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 AND 7 IN PART 2 OF SCHEDULE 2 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER

"Table 1

YEARLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF OFFICERS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES BEFORE 14 AUGUST 1914 OR AFTER 30 SEPTEMBER 1921

PENSIONS OTHER THAN PENSIONS UNDER ARTICLE 11(1) OR (2) OF THE 1921 (OFFICERS) ORDER(**a**) OR ARTICLE 11(1) OF THE 1921 (WARRANT OFFICERS) ORDER(**b**), OF THE 1920 WARRANT(**c**) OR OF THE 1921 ORDER(**d**)

Group	*Yearly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
1	10,917
2	10,530
3	10,281
4	10,057
5	9,964

(**a**) Order in Council of 9th March 1921.
(**b**) Order in Council of 9th March 1921.
(**c**) Royal Warrant of 2nd July 1920.
(**d**) Order of His Majesty of 25th September 1921.

Group	*Yearly Rate*
6	9,763
7	9,710
8	9,639
9	9,605
10	9,562
11	9,506

Table 2

WEEKLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF RATINGS, SOLDIERS OR AIRMEN

Group	*Weekly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
12-17	181.25

Table 3

YEARLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF OFFICERS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES BETWEEN 14 AUGUST 1914 AND 30 SEPTEMBER 1921

PENSIONS AWARDED UNDER ARTICLE 11(1) OR (2) OF THE 1921 (OFFICERS) ORDER OR ARTICLE 11(1) OF THE 1921 (WARRANT OFFICERS) ORDER, OF THE 1920 WARRANT OR OF THE 1921 ORDER

Group	*Yearly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
1	11,163
2	10,671
3	10,426
4	10,176
5	9,987
6	9,786
7	9,731
8	9,639

Group	*Yearly Rate*
9	9,605
10	9,562
11	9,506

Table 4

YEARLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF OFFICERS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES BEFORE 14 AUGUST 1914 OR AFTER 30 SEPTEMBER 1921

Group	*Yearly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
1	10,917
2	10,530
3	10,281
4	10,057
5	9,964
6	9,763
7	9,710
8	3,348
9	2,982
10	2,626
11	2,320

Table 5

WEEKLY RATES OF PENSIONS FOR CHILDLESS SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS AGED UNDER 40 BEING SURVIVING SPOUSES OR SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF RATINGS, SOLDIERS OR AIRMEN

Group	*Weekly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
12 - 17	43.42

Table 6

YEARLY RATE OF SUPPLEMENTARY PENSION FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF OFFICERS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE

ARMED FORCES AND WHOSE SERVICE TERMINATED ON OR BEFORE 31 MARCH 1973

Group	*Yearly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
1 - 11	6,327.35

Table 7

WEEKLY RATE OF SUPPLEMENTARY PENSION FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS OF RATINGS, SOLDIERS AND AIRMEN WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND WHOSE SERVICE TERMINATED ON OR BEFORE 31 MARCH 1973

Group	*Weekly Rate*
(1)	(2)
	£
12 - 17	121.26”

SCHEDULE 5

Article 7(b)

TABLE TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE TABLE IN PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 2 TO THE PRINCIPAL ORDER

“Table

RATES OF PENSIONS, OTHER THAN SURVIVING SPOUSES’ AND SURVIVING CIVIL PARTNERS’ PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF DEATH

Description of Pension or Allowance	**Rates**	
	Groups 1-11	**Groups 12-17**
1. Pension under article 24 to dependant who lived as a spouse or dependant who lived as a civil partner	£9,335.00 per annum(*)	£178.90 per week(*)
2. Rent allowance under article 25	£3,559.00 per annum(*)	£68.20 per week(*)
3. Elderly persons allowance under article 26—		
(a) if aged 65 or over but under 70	£1,080.00 per annum	£20.70 per week
(b) if aged 70 or over but under 80	£2,072.00 per annum	£39.70 per week
(c) if aged 80 or over	£3,079.00 per annum	£59.00 per week

Description of Pension or Allowance	Rates	
	Groups 1-11	**Groups 12-17**
4. Allowances in respect of children—		
(a) under article 28(2)(a)—		
(i) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child of a member	£1,485.00 per annum	£28.45 per week
(ii) in respect of each other child of a member	£1,654.00 per annum	£31.70 per week
(iii) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, or any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£1,654.00 per annum	£31.70 per week
(b) under article 28(2)(b)		
(i) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child of a member	£1,698.00 per annum	£32.55 per week
(ii) in respect of each other child of a member	£1,858.00 per annum	£35.60 per week
(iii) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, or any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£1,858.00 per annum	£35.60 per week
5. Pension under article 29 to a child of a member who has no parent living and has not attained the child's age limit—		
(a) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child of a member	£1,698.00 per annum	£32.55 per week
(b) in respect of each other child of a member	£1,858.00 per annum	£35.60 per week
(c) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, or any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£1,858.00 per annum	£35.60 per week
6. Allowance under article 30(2)(b) to or in respect of a child who has attained the child's age limit	£7,271 per annum(*)	£139.35 per week(*)

(*) Maximum amount payable"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 2006 ("the principal Order") (S.I. 2006/606), which makes provision for pensions and other awards in respect of disablement or death due to service before 6th April 2005 in the naval, military and air forces. The principal Order contains the scheme which provides the pensions and other awards.

Article 5 amends article 20 of the principal Order to include Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance (provided in regulations made under section 31 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (asp 9)) in the list of benefits which confer entitlement to mobility supplement. It also removes a requirement that an individual must have been deemed to satisfy certain conditions in order to receive a mobility supplement under article 20.

The Tables in Schedules 1 to 5 to this Order replace tables in Schedules 1 and 2 to the principal Order, in order to adjust the rates prescribed for retired pay, pensions, gratuities and allowances in respect of disablement or death due to service in the armed forces.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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