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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Pensioners' Lump Sum Payments (Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980

Made . . . . . 1*st February* 1980

Coming into operation . . . . 17*th March* 1980

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 3(7) of the Pensioners' Payments and Social Security Act 1979(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations, which may be cited as the Pensioners' Lump Sum Payments (Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980, shall come into operation on 17th March 1980.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Pensioners' Payments and Social Security Act 1979;

"the Department" means the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland.

Claims for lump sum payments

2. For the purposes of section 3(7) of the Act (circumstances in which a payment under section 1 of the Act shall not be made after the expiration of the period of one year beginning with the last day of the relevant week unless a claim for payment was made in the prescribed manner before the expiration of that period) a claim for a payment under section 1 of the Act shall be in writing, either in the form of a claim for such a payment or in the form of a claim for a qualifying benefit as defined in section 2 of the Act, and shall be made by delivering the claim to an office of the Department; but where the claim has been sent by post and has not been delivered in the ordinary course of post, the Department may treat the claim as having been delivered on a date earlier than that on which it was in fact delivered being a date not earlier than that on which it was posted.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 1st February 1980.

(L.S.)

W. J. Sloane
Senior Assistant Secretary

(a) 1979 c. 48—as given effect in relation to Northern Ireland by section 7 of that Act

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

These regulations prescribe the manner in which a claim for a lump sum payment under the Pensioners' Payments and Social Security Act 1979 is made for the purposes of section 3(7) of that Act.