STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1966 No. 163

PENSIONS

The Personal Injuries (Civilians) (Amendment) Scheme 1966

Made - - - -	*15th February* 1966
Laid before Parliament	*28th February* 1966
Coming into Operation	*23rd March* 1966

The Minister of Pensions and National Insurance, with the consent of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred upon her by Section 2 of the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act 1939(a), and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Scheme may be cited as the Personal Injuries (Civilians) (Amendment) Scheme 1966, and shall come into operation on 23rd March 1966.

(2) In this Scheme " the principal Scheme " means the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1964(b).

Articles added to the principal Scheme, and consequential amendments

2. In the principal Scheme—

(*a*) after Article 14 there shall be added the Article set out in paragraph 1(*a*) of Part I of the Schedule hereto;

(*b*) after Article 43 there shall be added the Article set out in paragraph 1(*b*) of the said Part;

(*c*) in Article 21 (treatment allowances) there shall be made the amendment set out in paragraph 2 of the said Part;

(*d*) after paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 (rates of pensions and allowances payable in respect of disablement) there shall be added the paragraph set out in paragraph 3 of the said Part.

Substitution of Schedule to the principal Scheme

3. For Schedule 2 to the principal Scheme (assessment of disablement caused by specified injuries and of certain other disablements) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Part II of the Schedule hereto.

Margaret Herbison,
Minister of Pensions and National Insurance.

14th February 1966.

We consent.

John Silkin,
George Lawson,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

15th February 1966.

(a) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 82.

(b) S.I. 1964/2077 (1964 III, p. 5187).

SCHEDULE

PART I

1. *Articles to be added to the principal Scheme*

(*a*) "*Exceptionally severe disablement allowance*

14A. Where a person's disablement is, and in the opinion of the Minister is likely permanently to remain, such that he is, or if he were not in a hospital or other institution would be, in receipt of an allowance for constant attendance at a rate increased under the proviso to Article 14, he may be awarded an allowance at the appropriate rate specified in Schedule 3, paragraph 3A."

(*b*) "*Exceptionally severe disablement allowance*

43A. The provisions of Article 14A shall apply to a person in receipt of a pension under Article 42 in all respects as if he were in receipt of a pension under Article 11."

2. *Amendment of Article* 21 *of the principal Scheme*

In paragraph (*b*)(i) of the proviso to Article 21(1) (treatment allowances) for the words and figures "Article 13, 16, 17(1)(i) or 18" there shall be substituted the words and figures "Article 13, 14A, 16, 17(1)(i) or 18".

3. *Paragraph to be added to Schedule* 3 *to the principal Scheme*

"3A. Exceptionally severe disablement allowance under Article 14A.....60s. per week".

PART II

Schedule to be substituted in the principal Scheme

SCHEDULE 2

ASSESSMENT OF DISABLEMENT CAUSED BY SPECIFIED INJURIES AND OF CERTAIN OTHER DISABLEMENTS

Description of Injury	Assessment
Amputation Cases—Upper Limbs	*per cent.*
Loss of both hands or amputation at higher sites	100
Forequarter amputation	100
Amputation through shoulder joint	90
Amputation below shoulder with stump less than 8 inches from tip of acromion	80
Amputation from 8 inches from tip of acromion to less than 4½ inches below tip of olecranon	70
Amputation from 4½ inches below tip of olecranon	60
Loss of thumb	30
Loss of thumb and its metacarpal bone	40
Loss of 4 fingers	50
Loss of 3 fingers	30
Loss of 2 fingers	20
Loss of terminal phalanx of thumb	20
Amputation Cases—Lower Limbs	*per cent.*
Double amputation through thigh, or through thigh on one side and loss of other foot, or double amputation below thigh to 5 inches below knee	100
Double amputation through leg lower than 5 inches below knee	100
Amputation of one leg lower than 5 inches below knee and loss of other foot	100
Amputation of both feet resulting in end-bearing stumps	90
Amputation through both feet proximal to the metatarso-phalangeal joint	80
Loss of all toes of both feet through the metatarso-phalangeal joint	40
Loss of all toes of both feet proximal to the proximal interphalangeal joint	30
Loss of all toes of both feet distal to the proximal interphalangeal joint	20
Hindquarter amputation	100
Amputation through hip joint	90
Amputation below hip with stump not exceeding 5 inches in length measured from tip of great trochanter	80
Amputation below hip and above knee with stump exceeding 5 inches in length measured from tip of great trochanter, or at knee not resulting in end-bearing stump	70
Amputation at knee resulting in end-bearing stump, or below knee with stump not exceeding 3½ inches	60
Amputation below knee with stump exceeding 3½ inches but not exceeding 5 inches	50
Amputation below knee with stump exceeding 5 inches	40
Amputation of one foot resulting in end-bearing stump	30
Amputation through one foot proximal to the metatarso-phalangeal joint	30
Loss of all toes of one foot proximal to the proximal interphalangeal joint, including amputations through the metatarso-phalangeal joint	20
Other Specific Injuries	*per cent.*
Loss of a hand and a foot	100
Loss of one eye, without complications, the other being normal	40
Loss of vision of one eye, without complications or disfigurement of the eyeball, the other being normal	30
Loss of sight	100
Other Disablements	*per cent.*
Very severe facial disfigurement	100
Absolute deafness	100

NOTE.—Where the scheduled assessment for a specified injury involving multiple losses differs from the sum of the assessments for the separate injuries, the former is the appropriate assessment.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Scheme.)

1. This Scheme amends the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1964, which provides for compensation to or in respect of civilians injured or killed in the 1939–45 War.

2. Article 2 introduces an allowance at the rate of 60s. a week for certain pensioners who have a permanent disablement of exceptional severity.

3. Article 3 amends the table of assessments in Schedule 2 to the principal Scheme by adding forequarter and hindquarter amputations, each with an assessment of 100 per cent., and by increasing the assessment specified for amputation below mid-thigh and above the knee, or at the knee not resulting in an end-bearing stump, from 60 per cent. to 70 per cent.