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# SOCIAL SECURITY

## The Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1986

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The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 79(3) of, and Schedule 20 (**a**) to, the Social Security Act 1975(**b**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals to make these regulations should not be referred to it (**c**), hereby makes the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

**1.** These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations 1986 and shall come into operation on 18th November 1986.

*Amendment of regulation 13 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979*

**2.**—(1) Regulation 13 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979(**d**) (special provisions relating to claims for unemployment benefit made during periods connected with public holidays) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) In sub-paragraph *(a)* of paragraph (2) for the words "21 days after the date of the claim" there shall be substituted the words "35 days after the date of the claim where that claim is made during the period specified in sub-paragraph *(a)* of paragraph (3), or 21 days after the date of claim where the claim is made during the period specified in either sub-paragraph *(b)* or *(c)* of paragraph (3)".

(3) In sub-paragraph *(a)* of paragraph (3) for the words "21st day" there shall be substituted the words "35th day".

(4) In sub-paragraph *(b)* of paragraph (3) for the words "and in the case of any other public holiday" to the end there shall be substituted the words ", a period beginning with the start of the 16th day before the first day of the office closure and ending at midnight between the last day of office closure and the following day;".

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(**a**) *See* the definition of "prescribe".
(**b**) 1975 c.14.
(**c**) *See* section 10(2)*(b)* of the Social Security Act 1980 (c.30).
(**d**) S.I. 1979/628; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1979/781, 1982/1344.

(5) After sub-paragraph *(b)* of paragraph (3) there shall be added the following sub-paragraph—

"*(c)* in the case of any other public holiday, a period beginning with the start of the 14th day before the first day of office closure and ending at midnight between the last day of office closure and the following day.".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

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Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health and
Social Security.

13th October 1986.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations further amend regulation 13 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979. The main change made is to extend the period for which a claim for unemployment benefit may be treated as made in regard to the Christmas and New Year holidays – a maximum of 35 days replaces the former 21 days (regulation 2(3)). An amendment is also made to the period when the special provisions for claiming unemployment benefit in connection with Good Friday and Easter Monday are to apply (regulation 2(4)).

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