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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made . . . . . 25th February 1988

Coming into operation . . 6th April 1988

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 3 of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1988.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(**b**).

Amendment of regulation 7 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 7 of the principal regulations (lower and upper earnings limits for Class 1 contributions)—

(*a*) for "6th April 1987" there shall be substituted "6th April 1988"; and

(*b*) for "£39" and "£295" there shall be substituted respectively "£41" and "£305".

Revocation

3. The Social Security (Contributions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**c**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 25th February 1988.

(L.S.) *A. N. Burns*
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15); Article 3(1) was amended by paragraph 7 of Schedule 5 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/1209 (N.I. 16)) and Article 3(2) was amended by Article 75(4) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)). Definitions in Schedule 17 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 (c. 15) apply, by virtue of Article 2(3) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, to the exercise of certain powers conferred under that Order

(**b**) S.R. 1979 No. 186; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1980 No. 463 and S.R. 1987 No. 29

(**c**) S.R. 1987 No. 29

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 by increasing the weekly lower and upper earnings limits for Class 1 contributions for the tax year beginning 6th April 1988. The lower earnings limit is increased from £39 to £41 and the upper earnings limit from £295 to £305. The regulations also contain a revocation.