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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Pensions (Home Responsibilities) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981

Made	*10th March 1981*
Coming into operation . . .	*3rd April 1981*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by paragraph 5(6) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations which correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Services in relation to Great Britain and which accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980(**b**) are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security Pensions (Home Responsibilities) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 3rd April 1981.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security Pensions (Home Responsibilities and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978(**c**).

Amendment of the principal regulations

2.—(1) Regulations 1 and 2 of the principal regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) Paragraph (2) of the said regulation 1 shall be amended by substituting "the Social Security (Overlapping Benefits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(**d**)" for "the Social Security (Overlapping Benefits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 as amended".

(3) In the said regulation 2 there shall be substituted for sub-paragraph (*c*) of paragraph (2) the following sub-paragraph—

> "(*c*) that a supplementary allowance under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(**e**) was payable to him, he being a person who by reason of his being engaged in caring for an elderly or incapacitated person was excepted, under regulation 6 of the Supplementary Benefit (Conditions of Entitlement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(**f**), from the requirement to register for employment as a condition of his right to that allowance.".

(**a**) 1975 c. 15; paragraph 5(6) was inserted into that Act by Article 21(3) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 (S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)) and was substituted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5))

(**b**) 1980 c. 30

(**c**) S.R. 1978 No. 102

(**d**) S.R. 1979 No. 242, as amended by S.R. 1980 No. 451

(**e**) S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27); provisions of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, as amended by Article 7 of, and Part I of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8)), are set out in Part II of that Schedule

(**f**) S.R. 1980 No. 416; to which there are amendments not relevant to the subject matter of these regulations

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 10th March 1981.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the definition in the Social Security Pensions (Home Responsibilities and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978 (''the principal regulations'') of the expression ''precluded from regular employment by responsibilities at home'' to take account of the amendment to Article 7 of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, which is referred to in the definition, made by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980.

The regulations also make a minor amendment to regulation 1(2) of the principal regulations.