STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1968 No. 1118

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Supplementary Benefit (Determination of Requirements) Regulations 1968

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - - 15*th July* 1968
Coming into Operation 7*th October* 1968

Whereas a draft of the following regulations was laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Minister of Social Security, with the consent of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Ministry of Social Security Act 1966(**a**), and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Supplementary Benefit (Determination of Requirements) Regulations 1968 and shall come into operation on 7th October 1968.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, "the Act" means the Ministry of Social Security Act 1966(**a**) and other expressions have the same meaning as in the Act.

(3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of calculation of requirements

2.—(1) Schedule 2 to the Act shall be varied in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) For paragraph 9 of the said Schedule, as varied(**c**), (which provides the scale for computing normal requirements) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"9. Requirements of persons other than blind persons—

	£	s.	d.
(*a*) husband and wife or other persons falling within paragraph 3(1) of this Schedule	7	9	0
(*b*) person living alone or householder not falling within sub-paragraph (*a*) of this paragraph who is directly responsible for household necessities and rent (if any)	4	11	0
(*c*) any other person aged—			
(i) not less than 21 years	3	14	0
(ii) less than 21 but not less than 18 years ...	3	1	0
(iii) less than 18 but not less than 16 years ...	2	13	0
(iv) less than 16 but not less than 13 years ...	2	1	0
(v) less than 13 but not less than 11 years ...	1	19	0
(vi) less than 11 but not less than 5 years ...	1	12	0
(vii) less than 5 years	1	7	0"

(**a**) 1966 c. 20. (**b**) 1889 c. 63. (**c**) S.I. 1967/1127 (1967 II, p. 3287).

(3) For paragraph 10 of the said Schedule, as varied(a), (which provides the scale for computing the requirements of blind persons) there shall be substituted the following paragraph :—

" 10. Requirements of persons who are or include blind persons—

	£	s.	d.
(*a*) husband and wife or other persons falling within paragraph 3(1) of this Schedule—			
(i) if one of them blind	8	13	6
(ii) if both of them blind	9	9	6
(*b*) any other blind person aged—			
(i) not less than 21 years	5	15	6
(ii) less than 21 but not less than 18 years ...	4	1	0
(iii) less than 18 but not less than 16 years ...	3	9	0
(iv) less than 16 but not less than 13 years ...	2	1	0
(v) less than 13 but not less than 11 years ...	1	19	0
(vi) less than 11 but not less than 5 years ...	1	12	0
(vii) less than 5 years	1	7	0 "

(4) In paragraphs 11 and 12 of the said Schedule (which provide for additional requirements respectively of persons in receipt of supplementary pension and certain persons in receipt of supplementary allowance) for the sum " 9s. 0d." there shall be substituted the sum " 10s. 0d.".

(5) In paragraph 13(1)(*b*) of the said Schedule (which provides for an increase in the requirements of non-householders aged 18 or over) for the sum " 10 shillings " there shall be substituted the sum " 11 shillings ".

Judith Hart,
Minister of Social Security.

12th July 1968.

We consent,

Harry Gourlay,
Joseph Harper,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

15th July 1968.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations provide for increases in the weekly sums allowed in calculating requirements for the purpose of determining entitlement to supplementary pension or allowance.

(a) S.I. 1967/1127 (1967 II, p. 3287).