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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982

Made . . . . . *3rd August 1982*

Coming into operation . . . *22nd November 1982*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 5(1) of, and paragraphs 1(2) and (3) and 2(1) and (4) of Schedule 1 to, the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel(**b**), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982 and shall come into operation on 22nd November 1982.

(2) In these regulations—

"Requirements Regulations" means the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(**c**);

"Resources Regulations" means the Supplementary Benefit (Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**d**);

"Single Payments Regulations" means the Supplementary Benefit (Single Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**e**).

Increase of amounts specified for normal requirements

2.—(1) Amounts specified in the Table in paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 1 to the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 and in the Requirements Regulations relating to the normal requirements of couples, single claimants and dependants shall be modified and increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 5 (normal requirements of couples and householders)—

(*a*) in paragraph (1)—

(i) for "for the weekly amounts specified in" there shall be substituted "at the end of" and for "substituted" there shall be substituted "inserted",

(ii) in sub-paragraph (*a*) for "£37·75" there shall be substituted "increased by £1·25",

(iii) in sub-paragraph (*b*) for "£23·25" there shall be substituted "increased by £0·70";

(a) S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27); Article 5 of and Schedule 1 to the Order were amended by Article 7(1) of, and paragraphs 4 and 29 of Part I of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8))

(b) Formerly the Department of Finance: *see* S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6), Article 3. *See* also Article 41(1) of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, as amended by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980

(c) S.R. 1980 No. 347; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1980 No. 422, S.R. 1981 Nos. 105, 241 and 275 and S.R. 1982 No. 239

(d) S.R. 1981 No. 370; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1982 No. 239

(e) S.R. 1981 No. 369; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1982 No. 240

(*b*) in paragraph (1A) the following sub-paragraph shall be inserted after sub-paragraph (*b*)—

"(*c*) at the end there were inserted "reduced by £0·25".";

(*c*) in paragraph (1B) at the end there shall be inserted "and as if at the end there were inserted "reduced by £0·15".";

(*d*) after paragraph (1B) there shall be inserted—

"(1C) The amounts specified in the second column of paragraphs 1 to 4 of the Table as modified by paragraphs (1) to (1B) are shown in paragraphs A and B of Schedule 1.".

(3) In regulation 9 (modification of normal requirements of boarders)—

(*a*) in paragraph (2)(*b*) for heads (i) to (iii) there shall be substituted—

"(i) for breakfast, at the daily rate of £0·95,

(ii) for midday meals, at the daily rate of £1·35,

(iii) for evening meals, at the daily rate of £1·35,";

(*b*) in paragraph (4)—

(i) in sub-paragraph (*a*), for "£11·50" and "£5·75" there shall be substituted "£12·60" and "£6·30" respectively,

(ii) in sub-paragraph (*b*), for "£24·50" and "£12·25" there shall be substituted "£26·60" and "£13·30" respectively,

(iii) in sub-paragraph (*c*), for "£6·50" there shall be substituted "£7·00",

(iv) in sub-paragraph (*d*), for "£12·25" there shall be substituted "£13·30";

(*c*) in paragraph (8) for sub-paragraphs (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) there shall be substituted—

"(*a*) for a relevant person—

(i) long-term rate, £18·90,

(ii) ordinary rate, £17·00;

(*b*) for a claimant who is not a relevant person—

(i) long-term rate, £9·45,

(ii) ordinary rate, £8·50;

(*c*) for a dependant—

(i) aged not less than 18, £8·50,

(ii) aged less than 18 but not less than 16, £5·10,

(iii) aged less than 16 but not less than 11, £4·35,

(iv) aged less than 11, £2·85,".

(4) For Schedule 1 there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 1 to these regulations (which shows the rates for couples and householders and specifies the rates for non-householders and dependants).

Increase of amounts specified for additional and housing requirements

3.—(1) Amounts specified in the Requirements Regulations for additional and housing requirements shall be increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 15 (rent), in paragraph (3) for sub-paragraphs (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) there shall be substituted—

"(*a*) for heating ..... £5·60;

(*b*) for lighting ..... £0·45;

(*c*) for cooking ..... £0·65;

(*d*) for hot water ..... £0·65;".

(3) In regulation 17 (maintenance and insurance), in paragraph (1) with effect from 28th March 1983, for "£1·65" there shall be substituted "£1·70".

(4) In regulation 22 (reduction in amounts applicable for certain occupants of the home)—

(*a*) in paragraph (2)(*a*) for "£2·30" and "£0·30" there shall be substituted "£2·50" and "£0·35" respectively;

(*b*) in paragraph (4)—

(i) in sub-paragraph (*c*) for "£2·55" there shall be substituted "£3·10",

(ii) in sub-paragraph (*d*) for "£5·40" there shall be substituted "£6·55".

(5) In regulation 23 (non-householder's contribution)—

(*a*) in paragraph (1)(*a*), for "£2·55" there shall be substituted "£3·10";

(*b*) in paragraph (1)(*b*), for "£5·40" there shall be substituted "£6·55".

(6) In Part I of Schedule 3 (additional requirements for heating), in column (2)—

(*a*) in paragraph 1—

(i) in sub-paragraph (1) for "£1·65" there shall be substituted "£1·90",

(ii) in sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) for "£4·05" there shall be substituted "£4·65";

(*b*) in paragraph 2 for "£1·65" and "£4·05" there shall be substituted "£1·90" and "£4·65" respectively;

(*c*) in paragraph 3 for "£1·65" and "£3·30" there shall be substituted "£1·90" and "£3·80" respectively;

(*d*) in paragraph 5 for "£3·30" and "£6·60" there shall be substituted "£3·80" and "£7·60" respectively;

(*e*) in paragraph 6 for "£4·05" there shall be substituted "£4·65";

(*f*) in paragraph 7 for "£1·65" there shall be substituted "£1·90".

(7) In Part II of Schedule 3 (items other than heating), in column (2)—

(*a*) in paragraph 13, for sub-paragraphs (*a*) to (*d*) there shall be substituted—

"(*a*) £3·35;

(*b*) £1·45;

(*c*) £1·45;

(*d*) £9·60;";

(*b*) in paragraph 16, for "40p" there shall be substituted "£0·45".

Increase of amounts specified in the Resources Regulations

4.—(1) Amounts specified in the Resources Regulations shall be increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 6 (capital resources to be disregarded), in paragraph (2) for "£2,000" there shall be substituted "£2,500".

(3) In regulation 7 (maximum capital resources for entitlement to pension or allowance), for "£2,000" there shall be substituted "£2,500".

(4) In regulation 11(4) (income, other than earnings, to be disregarded), in sub-paragraph (*i*) (occasional gifts) for "£20" there shall be substituted "£100".

Increase of amounts specified in the Single Payments Regulations

5.—(1) Amounts specified in the Single Payments Regulations shall be increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) For Schedule 1 (which specifies amounts payable for specified items of bedclothes) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 2 to these regulations which specifies higher amounts for corresponding items in the case of those amounts which appear in italics.

(3) For Schedule 2 (which specifies amounts payable for specified items of clothing and footwear for work and for men, women, boys, girls and babies) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 3 to these regulations which specifies higher amounts for corresponding items in the case of those amounts which appear in italics.

Revocations

6.—(1) Regulation 3(2) to (4) and (6) to (10) of the Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**a**) and the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**b**) are hereby revoked.

(2) Regulations 1 and 3(1) and (5) of the Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 are revoked with effect from 28th March 1983.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 3rd August 1982.

(L.S.) *E. H. Elliott*
Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby consents to the foregoing regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel for Northern Ireland on 3rd August 1982.

(L.S.) *N. R. Cowling*
Assistant Secretary

(a) S.R. 1981 No. 275
(b) S.R. 1981 No. 105

SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 2(4)

Schedule 1 to the Requirements Regulations as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 1 Regulations 5(1c) and 6(1)

Normal Requirements

Description of rate (1)	*Weekly amount* (2)
	£
Married and unmarried couples	
A. Rates for couples—	
(*a*) long-term	52·30
(*b*) ordinary	41·70
(the long-term and ordinary rates being specified respectively in paragraph 1 of the Table as modified by regulation 5(1A) and in paragraph 2 as modified by regulation 5(1), the long-term rate being applicable in pension cases and in allowance cases where the conditions of regulation 7 are satisfied and the ordinary rate in the remaining cases).	
Single claimants	
B. Rates for householders—	
(*a*) long-term	32·70
(*b*) ordinary	25·70
(the long-term and ordinary rates being specified respectively in paragraph 3 of the Table as modified by regulation 5(1B) and in paragraph 4 as modified by regulation 5(1), the long-term rate being applicable in pension cases and in allowance cases where the conditions of regulation 7 are satisfied and the ordinary rate in the remaining cases).	
1. Rates for non-householders aged not less than 18 or less than 18 with a dependant—	
(*a*) long-term	26·15
(*b*) ordinary	20·55
(the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with regulation 7).	
2. Rates for non-householders aged less than 18 without a dependant—	
(*a*) long-term	20·05
(*b*) ordinary	15·80
(the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with regulation 7).	
Dependants	
3. Rates for dependants aged—	
(*a*) not less than 18	20·55
(*b*) less than 18 but not less than 16	15·80
(*c*) less than 16 but not less than 11	13·15
(*d*) less than 11	8·75

SCHEDULE 2 Regulation 5(2)

Schedule 1 to the Single Payments Regulations as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 12

Bedclothes

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* £
Blanket (cot)	*5·70*
Blanket (single)	9·80
Blanket (double)	12·50
Pillow	*4·70*
Pillow-case	*2·10*
Quilt — terylene (single)	*14·50*
Quilt — terylene (double)	*16·75*
Sheet — cotton (single)	*6·80*
Sheet — cotton (double)	8·90
Sheet — flannelette (cot)	*3·00*
Sheet — flannelette (single)	*6·50*
Sheet — flannelette (double)	*7·80*
Sheet — nylon (single)	*5·20*
Sheet — nylon (double)	*6·80*

SCHEDULE 3 Regulation 5(3)

Schedule 2 to the Single Payments Regulations as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 2 Regulations 7, 23 and 27

Clothing and Footwear

PART I

Men's Clothing and Footwear

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* £
Anorak	*21·00*
Cap	*5·20*
Cardigan	10·75
Dressing-gown	*17·75*
Overcoat	*49·50*
Pullover	*9·40*
Pyjamas	9·20
Raincoat	*31·00*
Shirt	*8·30*
Shoes	*16·75*
Slippers	*4·70*
Socks	*1·30*
Sports-jacket	36·50
Suit	*58·00*
Trousers	*15·50*
Underpants — briefs	*1·65*
Underpants — woollen (long)	*7·30*
Underpants — woollen (short)	*5·20*
Vest — singlet	*2·05*
Vest — woollen	*6·20*

PART II

Working Clothes and Footwear

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* £
Boiler suit	11·50
Boots	*16·75*
Donkey-jacket	19·75
Dungarees	*11·50*
Jeans	*12·50*
Overalls	10·50
Suit	*58·00*
Wellingtons	*12·00*

PART III

Women's Clothing and Footwear

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* £
Blouse	*8·30*
Boots (ankle)	*17·75*
Brassiere	*4·15*
Briefs	1·40
Cardigan	*9·40*
Corset	*12·50*
Dress — summerweight	*13·50*
Dress — winterweight	*17·75*
Dressing-gown	*14·50*
Hat	*5·20*
Jumper	*8·30*
Knickers	*2·60*
Nightdress (standard length)	6·80
Nightdress (full length)	8·60
Overcoat	43·00
Pantie-girdle	*8·30*
Petticoat	*5·20*
Pyjamas	*9·40*
Raincoat	*31·00*
Shoes	*14·50*
Skirt	*9·40*
Slippers	*5·20*
Stockings/tights	*0·75*
Trousers	*11·50*
Vest — cotton	*2·10*
Vest — woollen	*4·70*

PART IV

Boys' Clothing and Footwear

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* *Small to Large* £	£
Dressing-gown	8·60	*12·00*
Dufflecoat	*15·50*	*21·00*
Jacket/anorak	11·00	*15·50*
Overcoat	18·25	26·00
Pyjamas	4·90	6·15
Raincoat	13·50	20·75
Shirt	4·30	6·50
Shoes	*8·90*	*12·50*
Slippers	3.25	*4·15*
Socks	0·70	*1·05*
Sweater	4·90	*7·30*
Trousers — long	6·80	*9·90*
Trousers — short	4·30	5·50
Underpants	—	1·25
Vest	—	1·45
Wellingtons	*4·15*	*6·20*

PART V

Girls' Clothing and Footwear

Column 1 *Item*	Column 2 *Amount* *Small to Large* £	£
Blouse	*4·70*	*8·30*
Brassiere	—	2·70
Briefs	—	1·10
Cardigan	4·60	6·80
Dress — summerweight	5·50	*9·40*
Dress — winterweight	7·50	*12·50*
Dressing-gown	8·60	11·75
Dufflecoat	*15·50*	*21·00*
Jacket/anorak	11·00	*15·50*
Jumper	4·90	*7·30*
Nightdress	4·90	*7·30*
Overcoat	17·25	25·00
Pantie-girdle	—	*5·20*
Petticoat	*1·80*	3·05
Pyjamas	4·90	7·30
Raincoat	13·50	19·75
Shoes	*8·90*	*12·50*
Skirt	5·90	*9·40*
Slippers	3·25	*4·15*
Socks	0·70	*1·05*
Stockings/tights	—	*0·75*
Trousers	6·50	9·70
Vest	—	1·35
Wellingtons	*4·15*	*6·20*

PART VI

Baby Clothing

Column 1 *Item*	**Column 2** *Amount* £
Napkin	*1·10*
One-piece stretch sleeping suit	4·00
Plastic pants	*0·60*
Pramsuit	6·50
Vest	*1·00*
Wrap/shawl	*5·40*

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations increase certain amounts specified for the purposes of determinations under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 (''the Order'') as amended by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980.

Regulation 2 relates to the increase of the amounts specified in the Order and in the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 (''the Requirements Regulations'') for normal requirements; the appropriate amounts for married and unmarried couples, single claimants and dependants are set out in Schedule 1 to the regulations which substitutes a new Schedule 1 to the Requirements Regulations. Regulation 3 increases the amounts specified in the Requirements Regulations for additional requirements for heating and diet; the amounts specified as deductible from inclusive rent and in respect of certain occupants of the home are also increased.

Regulation 4 increases the maximum amount of capital resources for entitlement to supplementary pension or allowance from £2,000 to £2,500 (if a claimant's capital resources exceed that figure he is not entitled to benefit, but if those resources do not exceed the maximum, they are disregarded). The regulation also increases the amount of the value of an occasional gift which is to be disregarded as income from £20 to £100.

Regulation 5 increases the amounts specified in the Supplementary Benefit (Single Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 which relate to single payments for bedclothes, clothing and footwear; those amounts which are increased are shown in italics in Schedules 2 and 3.

Regulation 6 revokes the Supplementary Benefit (Up-rating) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981, and the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981.