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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986

Made	*9th July 1986*
Coming into operation . . .	*28th July 1986*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by paragraph 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) 1986 and shall come into operation on 28th July 1986.

(2) In these regulations, "Requirements Regulations" means the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983(**c**).

Amendment of amounts specified in the Requirements Regulations

2.—(1) The Requirements Regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions.

(2) In regulation 5(2)(*d*) (normal requirements of relevant persons), for "£0·70" there shall be substituted "£0·75".

(3) In regulation 9(9) (personal expenses of boarders), for "£8·95" there shall be substituted "£9·05" and—

(*a*) in sub-paragraph (*a*) for "£21·70" in head (i) and "£19·40" in head (ii) there shall be substituted "£21·90" and "£19·60" respectively;

(*b*) in sub-paragraph (*b*) for "£10·85" in head (i) and "£9·70" in head (ii) there shall be substituted "£10·95" and "£9·80" respectively; and

(*c*) in sub-paragraph (*c*) for "£9·70" in head (i), "£5·85" in head (ii), "£5·00" in head (iii) and "£3·25" in head (iv) there shall be substituted "£9·80", "£5·90", "£5·05" and "£3·30" respectively.

(4) In Schedule 1 (Normal Requirements), for the amount specified in column 2 of that Schedule in relation to each provision set out in column 1 of Schedule 1 to these regulations, such amount being set out in column 2 of Schedule 1 to these regulations, there shall be substituted the amount set out in relation to that provision in column 3 of Schedule 1 to these regulations.

(5) In Schedule 3 (Additional Requirements), for the amount specified in column 2 of that Schedule in relation to each provision set out in column 1 of Schedule 2 to

(a) 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

(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. 1983 No. 61; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1983 No. 247, S.R. 1984 No. 348 and S.R. 1985 Nos. 207 and 336

these regulations, such amount being set out in column 2 of Schedule 2 to these regulations, there shall be substituted the amount set out in relation to that provision in column 3 of Schedule 2 to these regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 9th July 1986.

(L.S.) *A. N. Burns*
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 on 9th July 1986.

(L.S.) *R. G. Smartt*
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1 Regulation 2(4)

Amounts substituted in Schedule 1 to the Requirements Regulations (Normal Requirements)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provision of Schedule 1 to the Requirements Regulations	*Old Amount*	*New Amount*
Paragraph A (couples)—		
sub-paragraph (*a*)	£60·00	£60·65
sub-paragraph (*b*)	£47·85	£48·40
Paragraph B (householders)—		
sub-paragraph (*a*)	£37·50	£37·90
sub-paragraph (*b*)	£29·50	£29·80
Paragraph 1 (non-householders not less than 18 or less than 18 with a dependant)—		
sub-paragraph (*a*)	£30·00	£30·35
sub-paragraph (*b*)	£23·60	£23·85
Paragraph 2 (non-householders less than 18 without a dependant)—		
sub-paragraph (*a*)	£23·00	£23·25
sub-paragraph (*b*)	£18·20	£18·40
Paragraph 3 (dependants)—		
sub-paragraph (*a*)	£23·60	£23·85
sub-paragraph (*b*)	£18·20	£18·40
sub-paragraph (*c*)	£15·10	£15·30
sub-paragraph (*d*)	£10·10	£10·20

SCHEDULE 2 Regulation 2(5)

Amounts Substituted in Schedule 3 to the Requirements Regulations

(Additional Requirements)

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provision of Schedule 3 to the Requirements Regulations	*Old Amount*	*New Amount*
Part I— Heating		
Paragraph 1 (ill-health)—		
sub-paragraph (2)	£5·45	£5·55
sub-paragraph (3)	£5·45	£5·55
Paragraph 2(*b*) (home exceptionally difficult to heat)	£5·45	£5·55
Paragraph 6 (persons receiving certain disability benefits)	£5·45	£5·55
Paragraph 7(*c*) (person aged not less than 85)	£5·45	£5·55

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations increase certain amounts specified in the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983 for the purposes of determining entitlement to supplementary benefit under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977. They correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Services in relation to Great Britain and accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980 are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee.

Regulation 2(2) and (4) and Schedule 1 increase amounts for a person's normal requirements; regulation 2(3) increases certain allowances for personal expenses for persons in board and lodging accommodation; regulation 2(5) and Schedule 2 increase certain amounts of additional requirements relating to heating.