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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Supplementary Benefits (General) Amendment Regulations 1978

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The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 2(2) and 5 of the Supplementary Benefits Act 1976**(a)**, as amended by section 14(4) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1977**(b)**, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and with the consent of the Treasury, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Supplementary Benefits (General) Amendment Regulations 1978, and shall come into operation on 13th November 1978.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Supplementary Benefits (General) Regulations 1977**(c)** as amended**(d)**.

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

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 4(1)(*a*) of the principal regulations (registration for employment) after the words "Employment Service Agency" there shall be inserted the words "the Manpower Services Commission".

Amendment of regulation 11 of the principal regulations

3. Regulation 11 of the principal regulations (date of entitlement to pensions and allowances) shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) in paragraph (1)(*b*)—

(i) in head (i) for "regulation 9(6)" there shall be substituted "regulation 9(6)(*a*) to (*c*)";

(a) 1976 c. 71. **(b)** 1977 c. 5. **(c)** S.I. 1977/1141. **(d)** S.I. 1977/1226.
(e) 1889 c. 63.

(ii) for head (ii) there shall be substituted—

"(ii) if the review results in a reduction in the amount of or a termination of entitlement to a pension or allowance which is not due to a change in a benefit to which regulation 9(6)(*d*) refers, from the first day of the next benefit week; and

(iii) in any other case, from the first day of the benefit week which begins in the calendar week in which the change would take effect unless the determining authority in any particular circumstances otherwise determines".

(*b*) paragraph (1)(*c*) shall be deleted;

(*c*) after paragraph 2(*a*)(v) there shall be inserted:—

"(*aa*) 'calendar week' means a period of seven days beginning with the midnight between a Sunday and a Monday";

(*d*) after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted:—

"(4) For the purposes of this regulation, the word 'change' shall include insofar as is appropriate in any particular case a termination of entitlement".

David Ennals,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

6th October 1978.

We consent.

T. E. Graham,
A. W. Stallard,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

9th October 1978.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations further amend the Supplementary Benefits (General) Regulations 1977 ("the Principal Regulations"). Regulation 1 is formal; regulation 2 includes the Manpower Services Commission among those bodies with which a person may register for employment within the meaning of regulation 4 of the Principal Regulations, and regulation 3 amends regulation 11 of the Principal Regulations in respect of the day when changes in the amount of, or terminations of entitlement to, benefit take effect.

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