STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 279

PENSIONS

The Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2018

Made - - - -	*5th March 2018*
Coming into force - -	*6th April 2018*

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions has reviewed the general level of prices in Great Britain for the period of 12 months commencing on 1st October 2016 as required by section 109(1) of the Pension Schemes Act 1993(**1**), and it appears to the Secretary of State that the general level of prices was greater by 3.0 per cent. at the end of that period than it was at the beginning of that period.

A draft of this Order was laid before Parliament in accordance with section 109(2) of that Act(**2**) and approved by a resolution of each House.

Accordingly the Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 109(4) of that Act.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2018 and comes into force on 6th April 2018.

Increase of guaranteed minimum pensions

2. For the purposes of section 109(2) and (3) of the Pension Schemes Act 1993, the percentage by which there is to be an increase in the rate of that part of any guaranteed minimum pension which is attributable to earnings factors for the tax years in the relevant period(**3**) shall be 3.0 per cent.

(**1**) 1993 c. 48.
(**2**) Section 109(2) was amended by section 55(a) of the Pensions Act 1995 (c. 26) and paragraph 22 of Schedule 1 to S.I. 2005/2050.
(**3**) *See* section 109(3A) of the Pension Schemes Act 1993 which was inserted by section 55(b) of the Pensions Act 1995 and amended by paragraph 40 of Schedule 13 to the Pensions Act 2014 (c. 19).