WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 684 (W.92)

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, WALES

The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment)(Wales) Regulations 2012

Made - - - -	*4 March 2012*
Laid before the National Assembly for Wales - -	*6 Mawrth 2012*
Coming into force - -	*1 April 2012*

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 128, 129 and 203(9) and (10) of the National Health Service (Wales) Act 2006(**1**).

Title, commencement, application and interpretation

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2012 and they come into force on 1 April 2012.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

(3) In these Regulations —

"the Optical Regulations" ("*y Rheoliadau Optegol*") means the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) Regulations 1997(**2**).

Amendment of regulation 19 of the Optical Regulations

2. Regulation 19 of the Optical Regulations (redemption value of voucher for replacement or repair) is amended as follows —

(a) in paragraph (1)(b), for "£52.90" substitute "£54.20 "; and

(b) in paragraph (3), for "£13.70" substitute "£14.00 ".

Amendments to the Schedules to the Optical Regulations

3.—(1) Schedules 1 to 3 to the Optical Regulations are amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(**1**) 2006 c. 42.
(**2**) S.I.1997/818 as amended.

(2) In Schedule 1 (voucher letter codes and face values-supply and replacement) in column (3) of the table (face value of voucher), for each amount specified in column (1) of the table below substitute the amount specified in relation to it in column (2) of the table below:

(1) *Old amount*	*(2)* *New amount*
£36.20	£37.10
£55.10	£56.40
£80.60	£82.60
£182.00	£186.50
£62.70	£64.20
£79.70	£81.60
£103.30	£105.80
£200.10	£205.10
£186.40	£191.00
£52.90	£54.20

(3) In Schedule 2 (prisms, tints, photochromic lenses, small and special glasses and complex appliances)—

(a) in paragraph 1(1)(a), for "£11.80" substitute "£12.10;

(b) in paragraph (1)(1)(b), for "£14.20" substitute "£14.60 ";

(c) in paragraph 1(1)(c), for "£4.00" substitute "£4.10 ";

(d) in paragraph 1(1)(d), for "£4.50" substitute "£4.60 ";

(e) in paragraph 1(1)(e), for "£59.70", "£52.90" and "£28.60" substitute "£61.20", "£54.20" and "£29.30" respectively;

(f) in paragraph 1(1)(g), for "£59.70" substitute "£61.20 ";

(g) in paragraph 2(a), for "£13.70" substitute "£14.00 "; and

(h) in paragraph 2(b), for "£34.60" substitute "£35.50 ".

(4) For Schedule 3 (voucher values-repair), substitute the Schedule 3 set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Transitional Provision

4. The amounts substituted by regulations 2 and 3 apply only in relation to a voucher accepted or used pursuant to regulation 12 or regulation 17 of the Optical Regulations on or after 1 April 2012.

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4 March 2012