STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1529

SOCIAL SECURITY

The State Pension Credit (Amendment) Regulations 2015

Made - - - -	*13th July 2015*
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The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 175(3) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**1**), sections 3ZA, 9(5) and 17(1) of the State Pension Credit Act 2002(**2**) and section 28(3) of the Pensions Act 2014(**3**).

The Social Security Advisory Committee has agreed that the proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(**4**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the State Pension Credit (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 6th April 2016.

Amendment of the State Pension Credit Regulations 2002

2.—(1) The State Pension Credit Regulations 2002(**5**) are amended as follows.

(2) After regulation 7(savings credit), insert—

"**Limitation of savings credit for certain mixed-age couples**

7A. A person who is a member of a mixed-age couple, is not entitled to a savings credit unless one of the members of the couple—

(a) has been awarded a savings credit with effect from a day before 6th April 2016 and was entitled to a savings credit immediately before 6th April 2016, and

(**1**) 1992 c.4. Section 175(3) is applied to provisions of the State Pension Credit Act 2002 (c.16) by section 19(1) of that Act.
(**2**) 2002 c.16. Section 3ZA was inserted by paragraph 90 of Schedule 12 to the Pensions Act 2014 (c.19). Section 17(1) is cited for the meaning ascribed to the words "prescribed" and "regulations".
(**3**) 2014 c.19.
(**4**) *See* sections 170 and 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c.5); paragraph 20 of Schedule 2 to the State Pension Credit Act 2002 added that Act to the list of "relevant enactments" in respect of which regulations must normally be referred to the Committee.
(**5**) S.I. 2002/1792; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2005/2687.

(b) remained entitled to a savings credit at all times since the beginning of 6th April 2016. ".

(3) In regulation 12 (end of assessed income period)—

(a) omit "at such time as";

(b) at the start of sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), insert "at such time as";

(c) at the end of sub-paragraph (c), add—

";

(d) if, apart from this sub-paragraph, it would have ended on a date falling within the period specified in column 1 of the table in Schedule IIIA, on the corresponding date shown against that period in column 2 of that table".

(4) After Schedule III (special groups), insert—

"SCHEDULE IIIA Regulation 12

Date on which certain fixed length assessed income periods end

Table

Column 1 *Period in which the assessed income period would end apart from regulation 12(d)*	*Column 2* *Date on which assessed income period is to end*
1st April 2019 to 14th April 2019	14th July 2016
15th April 2019 to 30th April 2019	28th July 2016
1st May 2019 to 14th May 2019	14th August 2016
15th May 2019 to 31st May 2019	28th August 2016
1st June 2019 to 14th June 2019	14th October 2016
15th June 2019 to 30th June 2019	28th October 2016
1st July 2019 to 14th July 2019	14th November 2016
15th July 2019 to 31st July 2019	28th November 2016
1st August 2019 to 14th August 2019	14th December 2016
15th August 2019 to 31st August 2019	28th December 2016
1st September 2019 to 14th September 2019	14th February 2017
15th September 2019 to 30th September 2019	28th February 2017
1st October 2019 to 14th October 2019	14th March 2017
15th October 2019 to 31st October 2019	28th March 2017
1st November 2019 to 14th November 2019	14th April 2017
15th November 2019 to 30th November 2019	28th April 2017
1st December 2019 to 14th December 2019	14th June 2017
15th December 2019 to 31st December 2019	28th June 2017