STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2018 No. 36

HOUSING

The Universal Credit Housing Costs (Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018

Made - - - -	*5th March 2018*
Laid before Parliament	*6th March 2018*
Coming into operation	*2nd April 2018*

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 16, 38(1) and 48(2)(b) of the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015(**1**).

Those powers are exercisable by the Secretary of State by virtue of Article 4(1)(a) of the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Universal Credit Housing Costs (Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018 and shall come into operation on 2nd April 2018.

Amendment of the Universal Credit Housing Costs (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

2.—(1) The Universal Credit Housing Costs (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016(**2**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 3 (broad rental market area determinations)(**3**)—

(a) for paragraph (6)(b) (date on which a broad rental market area determination takes effect) substitute—

"(b) for all other purposes—

(i) on the next relevant Monday following the day on which the determination is made; or

(**1**) S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I. 1).
(**2**) S.R. 2016 No. 222.
(**3**) Regulation 3 was amended by regulation 2(2) of S.R. 2017 No. 144.

(ii) where the next relevant Monday is within 11 months beginning with the day on which the determination is made, on the next relevant Monday after that.";

(b) after paragraph (7) insert—

"(8) "Relevant Monday" has the same meaning as in regulation 4(4).".

(3) In paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 (local housing allowance determinations)(**4**)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a), for "determined for that category of dwelling on 30th January 2015" substitute " last determined for that category of dwelling";

(b) in sub-paragraph (2A)—

(i) in paragraph (a) for "determined for that category of dwelling on 30th January 2015" substitute "last determined for that category of dwelling"; and

(ii) for the table in paragraph (b), substitute—

"(1) Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule	*(2) Maximum local housing allowance for that category of dwelling*
Paragraph 1(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)	£1,163.30
Paragraph 1(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)	£1,163.30
Paragraph 1(c) (two bedrooms)	£1,349.43
Paragraph 1(d) (three bedrooms)	£1,582.09
Paragraph 1(e) (four bedrooms)	£1,861.28"

(c) for the table in paragraph 5(**5**) substitute—

"(1) Broad rental market area	*(2) Category of dwelling as defined in the following paragraphs of this Schedule*
BRMA1 –South	Paragraph 1(b) (one bedroom, exclusive use)
BRMA1 – South	Paragraph 1(c) (two bedrooms)
BRMA1 – South	Paragraph 1(d) (three bedrooms)
BRMA1 – South	Paragraph 1(e) (four bedrooms)
BRMA2 – North	Paragraph 1(d) (three bedrooms)
BRMA2 – North	Paragraph 1(e) (four bedrooms)
BRMA3 – Lough Neagh Lower	Paragraph 1(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)
BRMA3 – Lough Neagh Lower	Paragraph 1(c) (two bedrooms)
BRMA3 – Lough Neagh Lower	Paragraph 1(d) (three bedrooms)
BRMA3 – Lough Neagh Lower	Paragraph 1(e) (four bedrooms)
BRMA4 – North West	Paragraph 1(a) (one bedroom, shared accommodation)

(**4**) Schedule 1 was amended by regulation 2(3) of S.R. 2017 No.144.
(**5**) Paragraph 5 was inserted by regulation 2(3)(b) of S.R. 2017 No. 144.