Draft Order laid before Parliament under sections 150(2)(a) and (c) and 190(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Order 2012

Made - - - -	*****
Coming into force - -	*9th April 2012*

Following a review in the tax year ending with 5th April 2012 of the sums specified in section 150(1)(a)(i) and (i) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(**1**) ("the 1992 Act") (annual up-rating of benefits) the Treasury have determined that the general level of prices in Great Britain is greater at the end of the period under review than it was at the beginning.

In accordance with sections 150(2)(a) and (c) and 190(1)(a) of the 1992 Act, a draft of this Order was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly the Treasury make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 150(9) and (10)(a)(i) and 189(4) of the 1992 Act and now vested in them(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Guardian's Allowance Up-rating Order 2012 and comes into force on 9th April 2012.

Amendment of Schedule 4 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992

2. In paragraph 5 of Part 3 of Schedule 4 to the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**3**) (weekly rate of guardian's allowance) for "£14.75" substitute "£15.55".

Child benefit

3. In regulation 2(1) of the Child Benefit (Rates) Regulations 2006(**4**)—

(**1**) 1992 c. 5.
(**2**) The functions of the Secretary of State under Part 10 of the 1992 Act (review and alteration of benefits: Great Britain) so far as relating to child benefit and guardian's allowance were transferred to the Treasury by section 49(3) of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21).
(**3**) 1992 c. 4. This paragraph was last amended by S.I. 2011/1029.
(**4**) S.I. 2006/965. The figures for the rates of child benefit that remain unchanged in regulation 2(1) of the Child Benefit (Rates) Regulations 2006 ("the Rates Regulations") were substituted by the Child Benefit Up-rating Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/982). Article 3 of this Order contains a statement in relation to child benefit required by section 150(2)(c) of the 1992 Act.