STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2017 No. 63

PENSIONS

The Pensions Increase (Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017

Made - - - -	*16th March 2017*
Coming into operation	*9th April 2017*

The Department of Finance, being satisfied that it is proper so to do, in exercise of the power conferred by sections 5(3) of the Pensions (Increase) Act (Northern Ireland) 1971(**1**) and now vested in it(**2**), makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Pensions Increase (Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and shall come into operation on 9thApril 2017.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations, "the 1975 Order" means the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(**3**).

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3.—(1) The provisions of Article 69 of the 1975 Order(**4**) shall apply in relation to an official pension subject to the following modification.

(2) "Base period", in relation to the direction mentioned in Article 69(1) of the 1975 Order and coming into force on 10th April 2017(**5**), means the period beginning on 11th April 2016 and ending with the 10th April 2017.

(**1**) 1971 c35 (N.I.); s.5(3) was amended by the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 SI 1975/1503 (N.I.15) Sch.5 (para.16)
(**2**) By virtue of Article 4 of The Departments (NI) Order 1982 (S.I. 1982/338, (N.I.6)), as amended by S.R. 2016 No.76.
(**3**) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)
(**4**) By virtue of article 69(7), as amended by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, article 10, section 69 and section 69(A) of the 1975 Order have effect as if section 69 and 69(A) were contained in Part 1 of the Pensions (Increase) Act (Northern Ireland) 1971.
(**5**) This direction is contained in S.R. 2017 No. 56