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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Electronic Communications) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011

Made - - - - 15th December 2011

Coming into operation 23rd January 2012

The Department for Social Development makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1 and 2 of the Electronic Communications Act (Northern Ireland) 2001(**1**).

In accordance with section 1(3) of that Act it considers that the authorisation of the use of electronic communications by this Order for any purpose is such that the extent (if any) to which records of things done for that purpose will be available will be no less satisfactory in cases where use is made of electronic communications than in other cases.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Social Security (Electronic Communications) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2011 and shall come into operation on 23rd January 2012.

Amendment of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations

2.—(1) The Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**2**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 32ZA(2)(**3**) (information given electronically)—

(a) after sub-paragraph (d) insert—

"(da) incapacity benefit;"; and

(b) after sub-paragraph (f) add—

"(g) retirement pension;

(h) state pension credit.".

(**1**) 2001 c. 9 (N.I.)
(**2**) S.R. 1987 No. 465; relevant amending Rules are S.R. 2006 No. 203 and S.R. 2011 No. 298
(**3**) Regulation 32ZA was inserted by Article 2(3) of S. R. 2011 No. 298