STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Lone Parents) (Availability for Work) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

Made - - - - *1st April 2010*

Coming into operation *26th April 2010*

Approved by resolution of the Assembly on 13th September 2010

The Department for Social Development makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 8, 11(1), 21(8) and 36(2) of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**1**), and now vested in it(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Jobseeker's Allowance (Lone Parents) (Availability for Work) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 26th April 2010.

Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations

2.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**3**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (12).

(2) In regulation 5 (exceptions to requirement to be available immediately)—

(a) in paragraph (4) after "13" insert ", 13A";

(b) in paragraph (5)(**4**) for "or 13" substitute ", 13 or 13A".

(3) In regulation 6 (employment of at least 40 hours per week)—

(a) in paragraph (1) after "(additional restrictions on availability for certain groups)" insert ", regulation 13A (additional restrictions on availability for lone parents) ";

(b) in paragraph (2) after "13(3) or (4)" insert ", regulation 13A ".

(4) In regulation 7(1) (restriction of hours for which a person is available to 40 hours per week) for "regulation 13 (additional restrictions on availability for certain groups) and in regulation 17(2)"

(**1**) S.I. 1995/2705 (N.I. 15); Article 8 was amended by paragraph 103 of Schedule 6 and Schedule 7 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/1506 (N.I. 10)).and Article 36(2) was amended by paragraph 55 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/671)

(**2**) *See* Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481

(**3**) S.R. 1996 No. 198; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 No. 358, S.R. 1997 No. 138, S.R. 1998 No. 198, S.R. 2002 No. 388 and S.R. 2008 No. 478

(**4**) Paragraph 5 was amended by regulation 11(2)(c) of S.R. 2008 No. 478