STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 447

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Made - - - -	*10th October 2005*
Coming into operation	*1st November 2005*

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 134(2) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and now vested in it(**2**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 1st November 2005.

(2) In these Regulations, "the principal Regulations" means the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(**3**).

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**4**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the principal Regulations

2. In regulation 1 of the principal Regulations (citation, commencement and interpretation)—

(a) in paragraph (2) —

(i) in the definition of "claimant", after "income support" there shall be added ", state pension credit or income-based jobseeker's allowance"(**5**),

(ii) the definitions of "married couple", "partner", "sector" and "unmarried couple" shall be omitted(**6**),

(**1**) 1992 c. 7
(**2**) *See* Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(**3**) S.R. 1988 No. 368
(**4**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**5**) The definition of "claimant" was substituted by regulation 2(a) of S.R. 1991 No. 464
(**6**) The definitions of "married couple", "partner" and "unmarried couple" were inserted by regulation 3(2)(a) of S.R. 1990 No. 132 and the definition of "sector" was inserted by regulation 2(e) of S.R. 1991 No. 464