STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 124

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Inherited SERPS) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Made - - - -	*16th March 2005*
Coming into operation	*6th April 2005*

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 49(1) and (2) and 73(4) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999(**1**), and now vested in it(**2**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Inherited SERPS) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 6th April 2005.

Amendment of the Social Security (Inherited SERPS) Regulations

2.—(1) The Social Security (Inherited SERPS) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001(**3**) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 2 (modification of Part II of the Contributions and Benefits Act) after paragraph (3) there shall be added the following paragraph –

> "(4) Where, on or after 6th April 2006, a person becomes a person of a description specified in Column 1 of the Schedule and entitled to a widowed person's lump sum under paragraph 7A of Schedule 5 to the Contributions and Benefits Act(**4**), paragraph 7B(3) of Schedule 5 to that Act shall have effect so that the half of the additional pension specified in paragraph (b) of the definition of "P" is increased by the percentage specified in Column 2 of the Schedule.".

(3) In the heading to the Schedule –

(a) for "Regulation 2(2)" there shall be substituted "Regulation 2(2) and (4)"; and

(**1**) S.I.1999/3147 (N.I. 11); Article 49(2) is amended by paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/255 (N.I. 1))
(**2**) *See* Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(**3**) S.R. 2001 No. 441
(**4**) 1992 c. 7; paragraphs 7A and 7B are inserted by paragraph 10(1) of Schedule 9 to the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005