STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 62

STATUTORY MATERNITY PAY

The Statutory Maternity Pay (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Made - - - -	*4th March 2005*
Coming into operation	*6th April 2005*

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 160(9)(c) and 171(1) 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 effect

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Statutory Maternity Pay (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 6th April 2005.

(2) These Regulations shall have effect only in relation to a reinstatement or re-engagement of employment occurring on or after 6th April 2005.

Amendment of the Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations

2. In regulation 12(1) of the Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**3**) (continuous employment and unfair dismissal) –

(a) at the end of sub-paragraph (b) the word "or" shall be omitted; and

(b) after sub-paragraph (c) there shall be added – "or

(d) of a decision arising out of the use of a statutory dispute resolution procedure contained in Schedule 1 to the Employment (Northern Ireland) Order 2003(**4**) in a case where, in accordance with the Employment (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 (Dispute Resolution) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004(**5**), such a procedure applies.".

(**1**) 1992 c. 7; section 171(1) was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)
(**2**) *See* Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(**3**) S.R. 1987 No. 30, to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations
(**4**) S.I.2003/2902 (N.I. 15)
(**5**) S.R. 2004 No. 521