STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 37

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

Made - - - - 15th February 2005

Coming into operation 14th March 2005

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 108(2) and 171(1) to (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and section 5(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**2**), and now vested in it(**3**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, being satisfied of the matters referred to in section 108(2)(a) and (b) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 14th March 2005.

Amendment of the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations

2.—(1) The Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986(**4**) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4) of this regulation.

(2) In regulation 2(c) (prescription of diseases and injuries and occupations for which they are prescribed) the words after "to these regulations" shall be omitted.

(3) In regulation 23(2)(**5**) (time for claiming benefit in respect of occupational deafness) the words after "prescribed in relation to occupational deafness" shall be omitted.

(4) In Part I of Schedule 1 (list of prescribed diseases and the occupations for which they are prescribed) –

(**1**) 1992 c. 7; section 171 was amended by paragraph 28 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/671) and paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)
(**2**) 1992 c. 8
(**3**) *See* Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(**4**) S.R. 1986 No. 179; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1986 No. 270, S.R. 1989 No. 319, S.R. 1991 No. 414, S.R. 1993 No. 148, S.R. 1996 No. 57, S.R. 1999 No. 310 (C. 23), S.R. 2000 No. 214 and S.R. 2003 No. 388
(**5**) Paragraph (2) was amended by regulation 2(3) of S.R. 2000 No. 214

(a) after the entry relating to prescribed disease A12(**6**) there shall be added –

"A13.	Osteoarthritis of the hip.	Work in agriculture as a farmer or farm worker for a period of, or periods which amount in aggregate to, 10 years or more.";

(b) for the entry relating to prescribed disease B1 there shall be substituted –

"B1.	Anthrax.	(a) Contact with anthrax spores, including contact with animals infected by anthrax; or (b) handling, loading, unloading or transport of animals of a type susceptible to infection with anthrax or of the products or residues of such animals.";

(c) for the entry relating to prescribed disease B4 there shall be substituted –

"B4.	Ankylostomiasis.	Contact with a source of ankylostomiasis.";

(d) for the entry relating to prescribed disease B8 there shall be substituted –

"B8A.	Infection by hepatitis A virus.	Contact with raw sewage.
B8B.	Infection by hepatitis B or C virus.	Contact with – (a) human blood or human blood products; or (b) any other source of hepatitis B or C virus.";

(e) after the entry relating to prescribed disease B13(**7**) there shall be added –

"B14.	Lyme disease.	Exposure to deer or other mammals of a type liable to harbour ticks harbouring Borrelia bacteria.
B15.	Anaphylaxis.	Employment as a healthcare worker having contact with

(**6**) Prescribed disease A12 was inserted by regulation 6(2) of S.R. 1993 No. 148
(**7**) Prescribed disease B13 was inserted by regulation 2(2) of S.R. 1991 No. 414