STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2003 No. 316

PENSIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND)

Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Rules 2003

Made - - - -	*20th June 2003*
To be laid before Parliament	
Coming into operation	*16th July 2003*

I, The Right Honourable Sir Robert Douglas Carswell, Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 6 of, and paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Schedule to, the Pensions Appeal Tribunals Act 1943(**1**) and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, do hereby make the following Rules:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Rules 2003 and shall come into operation on 16th July 2003.

(2) In these Rules a reference to a Rule or Schedule by number is a reference to that Rule or Schedule as numbered in the Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Northern Ireland) Rules 1981(**2**).

Amendments to the Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Northern Ireland) Rules 1981

2. After Rule 4(3) there shall be added the paragraph:

> "(4) No later than fourteen days after receipt of the notice of appeal the Secretary of State for Defence shall forward a copy of it to the Pensions Appeal Office by first class post."

3. In Rule 24(1) after the words "entitlement appeal" add the words "or an appeal against a specified decision".

(**1**) 1943 c. 39; Section 6 was amended by the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 (c. 23), Section 122(1), the Social Security Act 1980 (c. 3), Section 16(4) and the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c. 19), Section 57(2); paragraph 5 of the Schedule was amended by Section 32(4) of the Administration of Justice Act 1977 (c. 38) and Section 16(6) of the Social Security Act 1980 (c. 30); paragraph 6 of the Schedule was amended, and paragraph 6A inserted, by Section 59 of the Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61)

(**2**) S.R. 1981 No. 231 as previously amended by S.R. 1982 No. 201, S.R. 1983 No. 23, S.R. 1998 No. 265 and S.R. 2001 No. 109