STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2003 No. 282

HOUSING

Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Reduction of Grant) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - -	*28th May 2003*
Coming into operation	*14th July 2003*

The Department for Social Development(**1**), in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 47 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1992(**2**) and now exercisable by it(**3**), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Reduction of Grant) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 and shall come into operation on 14th July 2003.

Amendments

2. The Housing Renovation etc. Grants (Reduction of Grant) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997(**4**) are amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 9.

Regulation 2

3. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) –

(a) after the definition of "child benefit", insert the following definition –

> ""child tax credit" means a child tax credit under section 8 of the Tax Credits Act 2002(**5**);";

(b) omit the definition of "disabled person's tax credit";

(c) omit the definition of "working families' tax credit"; and

(**1**) S.I.1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(1)
(**2**) S.I. 1992/1725 (N.I. 15)
(**3**) S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6(e) and Schedule 4 Part V
(**4**) S.R. 1997 No. 456 as amended by S.R. 1998 No. 396, S.R. 1999 No. 387, S.R. 2000 Nos. 62 and 325, S.R. 2001 No. 315 and S.R. 2003 No. 234
(**5**) 2002 c. 21

(d) after the definition of "war widow's pension", insert the following definition –

""working tax credit" means a working tax credit under section 10 of the Tax Credits Act 2002;".

Regulation 17

4. In sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1ZA) of regulation 17 (determination of income on a weekly basis)(**6**), for "working families' tax credit or disabled person's tax credit" substitute "child tax credit or working tax credit".

Regulation 18

5. In regulation 18 (treatment of child care charges), for sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (9)(**7**) substitute the following sub-paragraph –

"(c) in this paragraph "tax credit" means working tax credit, provided that a child care element of working tax credit specified in section 12 of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (child care element) forms part of the entitlement to that credit.".

Schedule 1

6. In paragraph 12(1)(a)(i)(**8**) of Part III of Schedule 1 (applicable amounts: premiums), for "disabled person's tax credit" substitute "working tax credit containing a disability element specified in section 11(3) of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (maximum rate)".

Schedule 2

7. For paragraph 18(**9**) of Schedule 2 (sums to be disregarded in the determination of earnings), substitute the following paragraph –

"**18.**—(1) In a case where the relevant person is a person who satisfies at least one of the conditions set out in sub-paragraph (2), and his net earnings equal or exceed the total of the amounts set out in sub-paragraph (3), the amount of his earnings that falls to be disregarded under paragraphs 3 to 10 shall be increased by £11·90.

(2) The conditions of this sub-paragraph are that –

(a) the relevant person or, if he is a member of a couple, either the relevant person or his partner, is a person to whom regulation 20(1)(c) of the Working Tax Credit (Entitlement and Maximum Rate) Regulations 2002(**10**) applies; or

(b) the relevant person –

(i) is, or if he is a member of a couple at least one member of that couple is, aged at least 25 and is engaged in remunerative work for on average not less than 30 hours per week;

(ii) is a member of a couple and –

(aa) at least one member of that couple is engaged in remunerative work for on average not less than 16 hours per week;

(**6**) Paragraph (1ZA) was inserted by S.R. 2001 No. 315
(**7**) Paragraph (9) was inserted by S.R. 2003 No. 234
(**8**) Paragraph 12 was amended by S.R. 2003 No. 234
(**9**) Paragraph 18 was added by S.R. 2000 No. 62
(**10**) S.I. 2002/2005