STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 56

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Joint Claims: Consequential Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001

Made - - - -	*13th February 2001*
Approved by resolution of the Assembly on - - - -	*21st May 2001*
Coming into operation	*19th March 2001*

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 8(4) and 9(4) of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**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 Jobseeker's Allowance (Joint Claims: Consequential Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001 and shall come into operation on 19th March 2001.

Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations

2.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**3**) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (5).

(2) In regulation 14(1)(**4**) (circumstances in which a person is to be treated as available)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (*m*) after "a couple" there shall be inserted "other than a joint-claim couple";

(b) after sub-paragraph (*m*) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph—

"(mm) if he is a member of a joint-claim couple and he and his partner are both absent from Northern Ireland and a premium referred to in paragraph 20E, 20F, 20G or 20I of Schedule 1(**5**) (applicable amounts) is applicable in respect of his partner, for a maximum of 4 weeks;";

(**1**) S.I. 1995/2705 (N.I. 15)
(**2**) *See* Article 8(*b*) of, and Part II of Schedule 6 to, the Departments (Transfer and Assignment of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999 (S.R. 1999 No. 481)
(**3**) S.R. 1996 No. 198; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1997 No. 138 and S.R. 2000 No. 350
(**4**) Regulation 14(1) was amended by regulation 2 of S.R. 1997 No. 138
(**5**) Paragraphs 20E, 20F, 20G and 20I were inserted by regulation 2(5) of, and paragraph 53 of Schedule 2 to, S.R. 2000 No. 350