STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2000 No. 3

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000

Made - - - -	*26th January 2000*
Coming into operation	*17th February 2000*

The Department for Social Development, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 11(6) and 74(1) and (3) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1998(**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 Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 and shall come into operation on 17th February 2000.

Amendment of the Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations

2.—(1) The Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999(**3**) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 7 (date from which a decision superseded under Article 11 takes effect) for paragraph (9) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

> "(9) A decision relating to attendance allowance or disability living allowance which is advantageous to the claimant and which is made under Article 11 on the basis of a relevant change of circumstances shall take effect from—
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> (a) where the decision is made on the Department's own initiative, the date of that decision;
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> (b) where—
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> (i) the change is relevant to the question of entitlement to a particular rate of benefit; and

(**1**) S.I.1998/1506 (N.I. 10)
(**2**) *See* Article 8(*b*) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(**3**) S.R. 1999 No. 162, to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations