STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 437

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997

Made - - - -	*1st October 1997*
Coming into operation	*1st November 1997*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 134(2) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 and shall come into operation on 1st November 1997.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**2**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of regulation 2 of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 2(1) of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(**3**) (prescribed circumstances) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In sub paragraph (*a*)—

(a) after "paragraphs" there shall be inserted "(1A), (1B),";

(b) in head (ii) for "or" there shall be substituted "and";

(c) head (iii) shall be omitted.

(3) After paragraph (1) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

(**1**) 1992 c. 7
(**2**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**3**) S.R. 1988 No. 368; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1991 Nos. 464 and 487, S.R. 1992 No. 470 and S.R. 1996 No. 488