STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 488

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Made - - - -	*14th October 1996*
Coming into operation	*4th November 1996*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 134(2) 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) 1996 and shall come into operation on 4th November 1996.

(2) In these Regulations, "the principal Regulations" means the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(**2**).

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of regulation 1 of the principal Regulations

2. In regulation 1(2) of the principal Regulations (interpretation)—

(a) in the definition of "forecast" after "on a daily basis" there shall be inserted "from and including 1st November in any year up to 31st March in the following year,";

(b) after the definition of "home" there shall be inserted the following definition—

> ""an income-based jobseeker's allowance" has the same meaning in these Regulations as it has in the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**4**) by virtue of Article 3(4) of that Order;", and

(**1**) 1992 c. 7
(**2**) S.R. 1988 No. 368; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1990 No. 132, S.R. 1991 Nos. 464 and 487, S.R. 1992 No. 470 and S.R. 1993 No. 413
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**4**) S.I.1995/2705 (N.I. 15)