STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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# HOUSING; RATES; SOCIAL SECURITY

## The Income-Related Benefits (Montserrat) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

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| *Made - - - -* | *12th August 1996* |
| *Coming into operation* | *28th August 1996* |

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 122(1)(*a*) and (*d*), 131(1) and 133(2)(*i*) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the consent of the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland(**2**) in so far as relates to regulation 2 of these Regulations, and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(**3**), hereby makes the following Regulations:

### Citation, commencement and interpretation

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Income-Related Benefits (Montserrat) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 28th August 1996.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**4**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

### Amendment of regulation 7A of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations

**2.** In regulation 7A(5) of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**5**) (persons from abroad) after sub-paragraph (*e*) there shall be added—

"or

(f) is in Northern Ireland and who left the territory of Montserrat after 1st November 1995 because of the effect on that territory of a volcanic eruption.".

(**1**) 1992 c. 7
(**2**) *See* section 171(6A) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 as inserted by Article 3(3) of the Social Security (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/1579 (N.I. 8))
(**3**) *See* section 150(1)(*b*) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 c. 8
(**4**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**5**) S.R. 1987 No. 461; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1994 No. 80 and S.R. 1996 Nos. 11 and 334