STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 1996 No. 91 (C. 4)

# PENSIONS

## The Pensions (1995 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996

*Made - - - - 13th March 1996*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 1(2) of the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Pensions (1995 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996.

(2) In this Order, "the Order" means the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 and references to Articles and numbered Schedules are references to Articles of, and Schedules to, the Order.

**Appointed days**

**2.** The day appointed for the coming into operation of—

(a) the provisions of the Order specified in Part I of the Schedule, for the purpose only of authorising the making of orders, is 14th March 1996;

(b) the provisions of the Order specified in Part II of the Schedule—

(i) for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 14th March 1996, and

(ii) for all other purposes, is 6th April 1996;

(c) the provisions of the Order specified in Part III of the Schedule is 6th April 1996;

(d) the provisions of the Order specified in Part IV of the Schedule, for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 6th April 1996;

(e) Articles 115 (powers to modify Part II of the Order) and 122 (provision supplementary to Article 121), for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations relating to those provisions of Part II of the Order specified in Part IV of the Schedule, is 6th April 1996;

(**1**) S.I.1995/3213 (N.I. 22)

(f) Article 146 (hybrid occupational pension schemes), for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 1st June 1996;

(g) Articles 68 (power of trustees to modify schemes by resolution) and 114 (overriding requirements), for the purpose only of any transitional provision contained in regulations made under Articles 16 to 21 (member-nominated trustees and directors), is 6th October 1996;

(h) Article 133 (new requirements for contracted-out schemes), in so far as it is not already in operation, is 6th April 1997 and such day is designated as the principal appointed day for the purposes of Part IV of the Order.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on

13th March 1996.

*W. G. Purdy*
Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE Article 2

# Part I

## Provisions coming into Operation on 14th March 1996 for the purpose only of Authorising the making of Orders

| Provisions of the Order | Subject Matter |
|---|---|
| Article 134(1) to (4) | State scheme contributions and rebates |
| Article 135(5) | Minimum contributions towards appropriate personal pension schemes |

# Part II

## Provisions coming into Operation on 14th March 1996 for the purpose only of Authorising the Making of Regulations and on 6th April 1996 for all other purposes

| Provisions of the Order | Subject Matter |
|---|---|
| Article 137(2) | Reduction in State benefits for members of money purchase contracted-out schemes and appropriate schemes |
| Articles 139 to 141 | Interim arrangements giving effect to protected rights |
| Article 143 | Discharge of protected rights on winding up: insurance policies |

# Part III

## Provisions coming into Operation on 6th April 1996

| Provisions of the Order | Subject Matter |
|---|---|
| Article 116 | Calculations under regulations |
| Article 117 in so far as it is not already in operation | Consultations about regulations |
| Article 118 in so far as it is not already in operation | Crown application |
| Article 120(2) | Meaning of “connected” and “associated” persons |
| Article 121 in so far as it is not already in operation | Interpretation of Part II of the Order |
| Article 145 | Class 1 contributions where earner in more than one employment |