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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Credits) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

Made . . . . . *16th March 1992*

Coming into operation . . *6th April 1992*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 13(4) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(**a**) 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 Security (Credits) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1992.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security (Credits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(**b**).

Amendment of regulation 9 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 9 of the principal regulations (credits for unemployment or incapacity for work)—

(*a*) in paragraph (3) after "paragraphs" there shall be inserted "(3A),";

(*b*) after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

"(3A) For the purposes of paragraph (3), "day of unemployment" shall also include a day which, by virtue of regulation 7(1)(*d*) or (*k*)(iii) of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(**c**), is not to be treated as a day of unemployment for the purposes of unemployment benefit, but only if the person concerned furnishes to the Department notice in writing of the grounds on which he claims to be entitled to be credited with earnings, and he does so before the end of the benefit year immediately following the year in which that day falls or within such further time as may be reasonable in the circumstances of his case.".

(a) 1975 c. 15; section 13(4) was amended by the Schedule to the Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/1087 (N.I. 13)) and paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 8 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18))

(b) S.R. 1975 No. 113; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1976 No. 321, S.R. 1982 No. 42, S.R. 1988 No. 276 and S.R. 1989 No. 368

(c) S.R. 1984 No. 245; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 No. 355 and S.R. 1989 Nos. 194 and 364