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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Income Support (General) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991

Made	*2nd August 1991*
Coming into operation . .	*12th August 1991*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 23(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(**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 Income Support (General) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 and shall come into operation on 12th August 1991.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**b**).

Amendment of regulation 21 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 21 of the principal regulations (special cases)—

(*a*) in paragraph (3), in the definition of "residential accommodation" for "paragraph (4)" there shall be substituted "paragraphs (3A) and (4)";

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

"(3A) Where on or after 12th August 1991 a person is in, or only temporarily absent from, residential accommodation within the meaning of paragraph (3) and that accommodation subsequently becomes a home for persons in need within the meaning of regulation 19(2) (persons in homes for persons in need and nursing homes) that person shall continue to be treated as being in residential accommodation if, and for so long as, he remains in the same accommodation and the Department is under a duty to provide or make arrangements for providing accommodation for that person.".

(**a**) S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18); Article 81(1) provides for section 155(1) to (3A) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 (c. 15) (extent of powers) to apply to the regulation-making powers conferred by this Order; the said section 155(3A) was inserted by Article 63(1)

(**b**) S.R. 1987 No. 459; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1989 No. 139