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The Occupational Pension Schemes (Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990

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The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 60(1A) and (10A) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 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 Occupational Pension Schemes (Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990 and shall come into operation on 12th November 1990.

(2) In these regulations—

"annual rate", in relation to a pension, means the annual rate of the pension as previously increased under the rules of the scheme;

"appropriate percentage", in relation to an increase in the annual rate of a pension, means the percentage specified in the last revaluation order made before the increase is to take effect as the revaluation percentage for the last revaluation period of 12 months;

"the Board" means the Occupational Pensions Board;

"pension" does not include—

(*a*) a guaranteed minimum pension or any increase in such a pension under Article 39A(**b**); or

(*b*) any money purchase benefit(**c**);

"revaluation order" means an order made under Article 53A(**d**), and "revaluation percentage" and "revaluation period" mean the same as in that Article in relation to such an order;

(**a**) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15); by virtue of Article 2(3), definitions in Schedule 17 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 (c. 15) apply to the exercise of certain powers conferred under this Order. Article 60(1A) was inserted by paragraph 19 of Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)) and Article 60(10A) was added by paragraph 11 of Schedule 6 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/1342 (N.I. 13))

(**b**) Article 39A was inserted by Article 11(7) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

(**c**) The definition of "money purchase benefits" was inserted in Article 2(2) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 by paragraph 2(*b*) of Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

(**d**) Article 53A was inserted by paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/1209 (N.I. 16))