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HOUSING; RATES

The Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989

Made	*13th October 1989*
Coming into operation . .	*16th October 1989*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 21(8) and (12)(*g*) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the consent of the Department of the Environment(**b**) so far as relates to matters with regard to which such consent is required, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 and shall come into operation on 16th October 1989.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**c**).

Amendment of regulation 5 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 5(9) of the principal regulations (circumstances in which a person is or is not to be treated as occupying a dwelling as his home) in the definition of "residential accommodation" at the end of paragraph (*a*) there shall be added "where board is available to the claimant".

Amendment of regulation 8 of the principal regulations

3. In regulation 8(2)(*b*)(i) of the principal regulations (eligible housing costs) after "Order 1972" there shall be inserted "where board is available to the claimant".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 13th October 1989.

(L.S.) *A. N. Burns*
Assistant Secretary

(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 enabling provisions under which these regulations are made; section 155(3A) was inserted by Article 63(1)

(b) *See* Article 81(5) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

(c) S.R. 1987 No. 461; to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations