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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Contribution Conditions for Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made . . . . . *6th September 1988*

Coming into operation . . *2nd October 1988*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 17(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1988(**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 (Contribution Conditions for Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 2nd October 1988.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Order" means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1988;

"day of unemployment", "day of incapacity for work" and "period of interruption of employment" shall be construed in accordance with section 17 of the principal Act(**b**).

Transitional provisions for unemployment and sickness benefit and statutory sick pay

2.—(1) Where after 1st October 1988 a person has a day of unemployment and that day falls within a period of interruption of employment which began before 2nd October 1988, Schedule 3 to the principal Act shall continue to apply to him as though the amendments made to it by Article 7 of and Schedule 5 to the Order (contribution conditions for short-term benefits) had not been enacted until either the day immediately following the last day of that period of interruption of employment or 1st October 1989, whichever is the earlier.

(**a**) S.I. 1988/594 (N.I. 2)

(**b**) 1975 c. 15; the relevant amendments to section 17 are Article 3(1) of the Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/1087 (N.I. 13)) which substituted section 17(1)(*d*) and Article 6 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/1118 (N.I. 25)) which inserted paragraphs (4) and (5); of the provisions of Schedule 3 amended by Article 7 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1988, paragraph 1(3)(*a*) was amended and paragraph 1(3)(*b*) was substituted by paragraph 2(2) and (3) respectively of Schedule 8 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)); paragraph 8(3) was substituted by paragraph 10 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5)) and amended by Article 6(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8)), paragraph 2(7) of Schedule 8, paragraph 42(*b*) of Schedule 9 and Schedule 10 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986.