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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Family Credit (General) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made	*27th May 1988*
Coming into operation . .	*30th May 1988*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 23(9)(*b*) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, by this statutory rule which is made before the end of a period of 12 months from the commencement of the statutory provision under which it is made, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Family Credit (General) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 30th May 1988.

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

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 2(1) of the principal regulations (interpretation) in the definition of "premises" for "garden or out-buildings" there shall be substituted "garden and outbuildings".

Amendment of Schedule 3 to the principal regulations

3. In Schedule 3 to the principal regulations (capital to be disregarded) after paragraph 25 there shall be inserted the following paragraphs—

"26.—(1) Where a claimant has ceased to occupy what was formerly the dwelling occupied as the home following his estrangement or divorce from his former partner, that dwelling for a period of 26 weeks from the date on which he ceased to occupy that dwelling.

(2) In this paragraph "dwelling" includes any garage, garden and outbuildings which were formerly occupied by the claimant as his home and any premises not so occupied which it is impracticable or unreasonable to sell separately.

27. Any premises or land where the claimant is taking reasonable steps to dispose of those premises or that land, for a period of 26 weeks from the

(a) S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)
(b) S.R. 1987 No. 463; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 No. 131