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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Occupational Pension Schemes (Contracting-out) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987

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The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 33(5) of, and paragraph 9 of Schedule 2 to, 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 (Contracting-out) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 and shall come into operation on 27th July 1987.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Occupational Pension Schemes (Contracting-out) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985(**b**).

Amendment to the principal regulations

2.—(1) The principal regulations shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (5).

(2) In regulation 3 (notices by employers of intended elections for the issue of contracting-out certificates) for paragraph (4) there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

"(4) A notice may specify a date of expiry—

(*a*) which is—

(i) earlier than the date 3 months after, but

(ii) not earlier than the date one month after,

that on which the notice is given; and

(*b*) which is assented to in writing by all independent trade unions (if any) recognised to any extent for the purpose of collective bargaining in relation to the earners concerned.".

(3) In regulation 6 (information to be included in an election)—

(*a*) for paragraph (2)(*b*) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph—

(**a**) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)
(**b**) S.R. 1985 No. 259; to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations