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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984

Made	*30th October 1984*
Coming into operation . . .	*3rd December 1984*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 76, 77 and 157(1) of, and Schedule 17 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 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 Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 and shall come into operation on 3rd December 1984.

(2) These regulations shall be read as one with the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983(**b**), hereafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

Amendment of regulation 50 of the principal regulations

2. For paragraph (2) of regulation 50 of the principal regulations (transitional provisions), there shall be substituted the following paragraph—

"(2) It shall be a condition of a person's right to benefit in respect of any disease set out in Schedule 3 to these regulations that he was—

(*a*) incapable of work, or

(*b*) suffering from a loss of faculty,

as a result of that disease on or after the relevant date.".

Amendment of the principal regulations relating to viral hepatitis

3.—(1) In the second column of Part I of Schedule 1 to the principal regulations (list of prescribed diseases and the occupations for which they are prescribed) for the occupation set against the disease numbered B8 (viral hepatitis) there shall be substituted—

"Contact with—

(*a*) human blood or human blood products; or

(*b*) a source of viral hepatitis.".

(2) In the second column of Schedule 3 to the principal regulations (prescribed diseases and relevant dates for transitional provisions), for the date "2nd February 1976" set against the disease numbered B8 (viral hepatitis) there shall be substituted—

"In the case of a person employed in any occupation involving contact with human blood or human blood products, or contact with a source of viral hepatitis, 3rd December 1984.".

(**a**) 1975 c. 15; *see* definitions of "prescribe" and "regulations" in Schedule 17

(**b**) S.R. 1983 No. 19; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1983 Nos. 37 and 260