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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Benefit) (Married Women and Widows Special Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980

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The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 125(1) of 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 (Benefit) (Married Women and Widows Special Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 and shall come into operation on 11th August 1980.

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security (Benefit) (Married Women and Widows Special Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1975(**b**).

Insertion into the principal regulations of regulations 3A and 3B

2. After regulation 3 of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following regulations:

"Modification of paragraphs 4(1) and 4A(1) of Schedule 1 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975

3A.—(1) The provisions of paragraphs 4(1) and 4A(1) of Schedule 1 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(**c**) (increase of pension where a woman's deceased husband had deferred retirement) shall, in the case of a woman who attains pensionable age on or after the date on which this regulation comes into operation, be modified in accordance with paragraph (2) of this regulation.

(2) For the purpose of an increase of a woman's Category A or Category B retirement pension, where a woman has had a husband and he has died before she attains pensionable age, and she was married to him when he died, paragraph 4(1)(*a*) or, as the case may be, paragraph 4A(1)(*a*) of the said Schedule 1 shall apply to her case as if there were inserted in each of the said paragraphs after the words 'she was married to him when he died' the words 'and since his death she has not remarried before attaining pensionable age'.

(**a**) 1975 c. 15 *See* Article 2(3) of S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)

(**b**) S.R. 1975 No. 19 (I, p. 98); to which there are amendments not relevant to the subject matter of these regulations

(**c**) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15); Sch. 1 was amended by S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5), Article 6 and Sch. 1 Part I para. 7 and Part II para. 22, and Article 16 and Sch. 3 para. 22