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The Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977

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The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 79(3) and 115(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, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977, shall be read as one with the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(b), as amended(c), and shall come into operation on 30th August 1977.

Amendment of regulation 11 *of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations*

2.—(1) Regulation 11 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 (forward allowances and disallowances of sickness, invalidity and injury benefit and non-contributory invalidity pension) shall be further amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) In paragraph (1)—

(*a*) for "provisions of paragraph (3)" there shall be substituted "following paragraphs";

(*b*) in sub-paragraph (*b*) the words "or disallowed" shall be omitted;

(*c*) in sub-paragraph (*c*) the words "or disallowed" and "or disallowing" shall be omitted.

(3) After paragraph (5) there shall be added the following paragraph:

"(6) Where a claim for non-contributory invalidity pension is made by a woman who claims by virtue of the exception to section 36(2) (incapable of performing normal household duties) that claim shall, unless in any case the Department otherwise directs, be treated as if made by her for—

(*a*) the period specified by a medical practitioner not being the claimant, on a form approved by the Department, as being that during which it is to be expected that the claimant is likely to continue to remain as restricted in her ability to perform the normal household duties in her own home or, if shorter, during which she should refrain from work; or

(a) 1975 c. 15
(b) S.R. 1975 No. 104 (I, p. 641)
(c) The relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1975 No. 202 (II, p. 1036) and S.R. 1976 No. 175