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The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977

Made . . . . . 16*th August* 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 17(2)(*a*), 33, 36(9)(*b*), 58(3) and 126 of, and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 14 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 Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977 and shall come into operation on 14th November 1977.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Act" means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975;

"the up-rating order" means the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1977(**b**);

and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.

(3) Any reference in this statutory rule to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except in so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that provision as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument and as including a reference to any provision which may re-enact or replace it with or without modification.

(4) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(**c**) shall apply in relation to this statutory rule and in relation to the revocations effected by it as if this statutory rule and the statutory rules so revoked were Acts of Parliament and as if each revocation were a repeal.

Conditions relating to payment of additional benefit under awards made before the appointed or prescribed day

2. Where an award of any benefit under Chapters I to III of Part II of the Act has been made before the day appointed or prescribed for the payment of the benefit in question at the rate provided in or by virtue of the up-rating order (hereafter in this regulation referred to as "the increased rate"), paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 14 to the Act (effect of any such award) shall, unless the period to which the award relates has ended before that day or the award, in accordance with the provisions of sub-paragraph (2) of the said paragraph 2, provides for the payment of the benefit at the increased rate as from that day, have effect subject to the condition that if a question arises as to—

(a) 1975 c. 15
(b) S.R. 1977 No. 246
(c) 1889 c. 63