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The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976

Made . . . . . 12*th August* 1976

Coming into operation . . . 15*th November* 1976

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 33, 121 and 126 of, and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 14 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(**a**) and section 2 of, and paragraphs 3, 7 and 9 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1975(**b**) 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) 1976 and shall come into operation on 15th November 1976.

(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) 1976(**c**);

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(**d**) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this statutory rule as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Increase in modified rates of short-term benefit payable under regulations

2. Subject to the provisions of regulation 3 of these regulations, as from 15th November 1976 as respects maternity allowance and as from 18th November 1976 as respects unemployment and sickness benefit, there shall be substituted for the table in Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Short-Term Benefits) (Transitional) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1975(**e**), as amended (**f**), the table in the Schedule to these regulations.

(a) 1975 c. 15
(b) 1975 c. 18
(c) S.R. 1976 No. 214
(d) 1889 c. 63
(e) S.R. 1975 No. 44 (I, p. 197)
(f) The relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1975 No. 213 (II, p. 1078)