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PENSIONS

Pensions Increase (Health Services)

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH OCTOBER 1974, MADE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE UNDER ARTICLES 2 AND 3 OF THE PENSIONS (INCREASE) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1974.

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2 and 3 of the Pensions (Increase) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the approval of the Department of Finance, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Pensions Increase (Health Services Pensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 and shall come into operation on 6th November 1974.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, "the Order" means the Pensions (Increase) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 and other words and expressions used have the same meanings as in the Order.

3. For the purposes of Article 3(1) of the Order (which provides that a pension authority may increase the basic rate of an official pension of a class prescribed by a percentage of the said basic rate ascertained in accordance with the provisions of the Order and beginning after a specified date) a Health Services pension, being an official pension which is payable by the Department of Health and Social Services, is hereby prescribed as an official pension of a class of which the basic rate may be increased.

4. A Health Services pension in respect of service ending with service of a person in a category of employment specified in Part I of the Schedule (being a pension as respects which, in the opinion of the Department, increases in the emoluments relevant for the purpose of calculating the pension were deferred during the period beginning with 6th November 1972 and ending with 31st March 1973 in consequence of provisions of the Counter-Inflation (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(b)) is hereby specified as a pension of a class to which Article 3(2)(*a*) of the Order applies.

5. The relevant date in relation to a Health Services pension in respect of service ending with service of a person in a category of employment specified in column (1) of Part I or Part II, as the case may be, of the Schedule (being the date on which, in the opinion of the Department, the emoluments relevant for the purpose of calculating the Health Services pension were, or are expected to be, increased by the principal pay increase made or expected to be made, during the year ending with 6th November

(a) S.I. 1974, No. 1267 (N.I. 2). (b) 1972. c. 74.

1974, in accordance with the code in force under section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973(c) at the time of the increase) shall be the date specified in relation to that category of employment in column (2) of that schedule.

6. Any increase of pension payable by virtue of these regulations shall have effect in respect of any period beginning on or after 1st December 1973.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 15th day of October 1974.

(L.S.) *F. A. Elliott,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Department of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Ireland this 15th day of October 1974.

(L.S.) *J. H. S. Gaw,*
Assistant Secretary.

(c) 1973. c. 9.