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SOCIAL SECURITY

Maternity Allowance (Transitional)

REGULATIONS, DATED 5TH MARCH 1974, MADE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT 1973.

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of powers conferred by paragraph 2 of Schedule 26 to the Social Security Act 1973(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations being regulations subject to negative resolution in accordance with paragraph 15 of Schedule 25 to that Act:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Maternity Allowance) (Transitional) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1974 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1975.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Social Security Act 1973;

"the former principal Act" means the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b);

and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act as modified by these regulations.

Modifications of the Act

2.—(1) There shall be substituted for the conditions set out in paragraph 3(2) and 3(3) of Schedule 3 to the Act (contribution conditions for a maternity allowance) the condition that there have been paid by or credited (otherwise than under regulations made under section 96 of the former principal Act) to the claimant in the cases set out in column 1 below in respect of the period set out against those cases respectively in column 2 below, whichever would give the more favourable result for the claimant, not less than 50 contributions under the former principal Act as an insured person of any class, and of those contributions not less than 39 are contributions as an employed or self-employed person, and of the contributions as an employed or self-employed person not less than 26 have been actually paid.

(a) 1973. c. 38.

(b) 1966. c. 6 (N.I.).