(or of the total of more than any one amount or equivalent amount) referred to in section 4(1)(*c*)(i) and (ii) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, may be calculated to the nearest penny (any amount of a halfpenny being disregarded)."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 15th day of September 1966.

(L.S.) *J. E. Aiken,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the National Insurance (Assessment of Graduated Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1960. They modify the provisions of those regulations in order to facilitate the calculation of graduated contributions where it would be unduly difficult or inconvenient to calculate the graduated contributions payable by reference to the normal prescribed scales.

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NATIONAL INSURANCE

Miscellaneous Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH SEPTEMBER 1966, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance so far as relates to matters with regard to which the Ministry of Finance has so directed, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 10(1), 35(5), 48(3), 51(1) and 80(3) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**a**) and section 14(6) of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**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 National Insurance (Miscellaneous Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966, and shall come into operation on 5th October 1966.

(2) In these regulations—

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

(**a**) 1966. c. 6 (N.I.). (**b**) 1966. c. 16 (N.I.).

"the (No. 2) Act of 1966" means the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966;

"the Claims and Payments Regulations" means the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1961(**a**);

"the General Benefit Regulations" means the National Insurance (General Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948(**b**).

Amendments to the Claims and Payments Regulations

2.—(1) The Claims and Payments Regulations shall be amended in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (2) to (6) with effect from 6th October 1966.

(2) For regulation 9 of the Claims and Payments Regulations (time and manner of payment of benefit) there shall be substituted the following regulation:

"Time and manner of payment of unemployment, sickness and maternity benefits and death grant

9. Subject to the provisions of these regulations, unemployment benefit, sickness benefit, maternity benefit and death grant shall be paid in accordance with an award thereof, as soon as is reasonably practicable after such an award has been made by the determining authority, by means of drafts, or in cash at any local office of the Ministry, or by such other means as may appear to the Ministry to be appropriate in the circumstances of any particular case."

(3) For regulation 10(4)(*a*) of the Claims and Payments Regulations, (time of payment of widow's benefit) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

"(*a*) in the case of widow's benefit, child's special allowance and guardian's allowance—on Tuesdays:

Provided that where, in the case of a widow entitled to widow's supplementary allowance by virtue of section 4(1) of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, a payment by way of widow's benefit under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 does not, but a payment of widow's pension under section 19 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 does, fall to be made to that widow, the days shall be Wednesdays; and".

(4) Subject to paragraph (6), in paragraph 2(*a*)(**c**) of column (1) of Part I of the Second Schedule to the Claims and Payments Regulations (prescribed time for claiming sickness benefit), after the words "under the Act" where they first occur there shall be inserted the words "or a claim for injury benefit under the Industrial Injuries Act".

(5) In paragraph 6 of Part II of the Second Schedule to the Claims and Payments Regulations (claims in advance) sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) are hereby revoked and in sub-paragraph (3) for the words "Where for the said purposes it has been certified by a qualified practitioner", there shall be substituted the words "Where for the purposes of the provisions of the National Insurance (Medical Certification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965(**d**), it has been certified".

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 221.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1948, No. 208.
(c) See Part I of Sch. to S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 120.
(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965, No. 79 as amended by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 13.