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WELFARE AUTHORITIES

Minimum Weekly Charges for Residential Accommodation

REGULATIONS, DATED 17TH FEBRUARY, 1965, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE WELFARE SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1949.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 5 of the Welfare Services Act (Northern Ireland) 1949(**a**), hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Welfare Authorities (Charges for Residential Accommodation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965, and shall come into operation on the 29th March, 1965.

2. The minimum charge which a person shall be liable to pay for accommodation provided by or on behalf of a Welfare Authority, for the purposes of section 5(3) of the Welfare Services Act (Northern Ireland) 1949, shall be sixty-four shillings per week.

3. Where accommodation is provided for a child accompanied by a person over the age of sixteen, the minimum charge which that person shall be liable to pay for the accommodation of that child shall be such one of the following sums as is appropriate:—

(*a*) in respect of a child under five years of age, the sum of twenty-two shillings and sixpence per week;

(*b*) in respect of a child aged five years or over, but less than eleven years, the sum of twenty-seven shillings per week;

(*c*) in respect of a child aged eleven years or over, but less than sixteen years, the sum of thirty-three shillings and sixpence per week.

4. The Welfare Authorities (Charges for Residential Accommodation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963(**b**) are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 17th day of February, 1965.

(L.S.) *N. Dugdale,*
Senior Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The minimum weekly amount which a person is required to pay for accommodation (in a welfare home) provided by or on behalf of a Welfare Authority is increased from 54/- to 64/-. In the case of a person accompanied by a child the weekly amounts payable in respect of the child (which vary according to the child's age) are increased from 19/6 to 22/6; 23/- to 27/- and 28/- to 33/6 respectively.

(**a**) 1949. c. 1. (**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1963, No. 76.