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NATIONAL INSURANCE (INDUSTRIAL INJURIES)

Prescribed Diseases

REGULATIONS, DATED 21ST APRIL, 1961, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE (INDUSTRIAL INJURIES) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

The Ministry of Labour and National Insurance, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 54 and 55 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1961, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1960(b) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations"), and shall come into operation on the 28th April, 1961.

Amendment of paragraph 23 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations

2. In paragraph 23 of Part I of the First Schedule to the principal regulations there shall be made the following amendments:

(*a*) in the first column thereof for the words "Ulceration of the corneal surface of the eye" there shall be substituted the words "Dystrophy of the cornea (including ulceration of the corneal surface) of the eye", and after the word "product" there shall be inserted the words "(including quinone or hydroquinone)";

(*b*) in the second column thereof there shall be inserted after the word "product" the words "(including quinone or hydroquinone),"

and the paragraph shall accordingly have effect as set out in the Schedule.

Transitional Provisions

3.—(1) Where a person, who has been employed on or at any time after the 5th July, 1948, in insurable employment in any of the occupations set out in the Schedule, is, on the date on which these regulations come into operation, incapable of work or, as the case may be, suffering from a loss of faculty as the result of dystrophy of the cornea of the eye other than ulceration of the corneal surface of the eye, (hereinafter referred to as "the disease") the provisions of regulation 6 of the principal regulations (which relates to the date of development) shall be applied subject to the modification that the date on which these regulations come into operation shall be treated as the first day on which he was incapable of work or, as the case may be, as the day on which he first suffered from the relevant loss of faculty, and the date of development shall be determined accordingly.

(2) Where a person to whom paragraph (1) applies is awarded disablement benefit in respect of the disease and an increase of that benefit is claimed

(a) 1946, c. 21. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960, No. 209.