Prescribed Diseases

REGULATIONS, DATED 17TH AUGUST, 1956, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE (INDUSTRIAL INJURIES) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

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The Ministry of Labour and National Insurance, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 54, 55 and 85 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, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1956, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948(b) (hereinafter referred to as the "principal regulations"), and shall come into operation on the 1st September, 1956.

Amendment of Regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2. The following sub-paragraph shall be added to regulation 2 of the principal regulations:—

"(c) byssinosis is prescribed in relation to all insured persons who have been employed—

(i) in insurable employment at any time on or after the appointed day, and

(ii) for a period or periods (whether before or after the appointed day) amounting in the aggregate to not less than ten years;

in any occupation in any room where any process up to and including the carding process is performed in factories in which the spinning or manipulation of raw or waste cotton is carried on."

Amendment of Regulation 4 of the principal regulations

3. The following paragraph shall be added to regulation 4 of the principal regulations:—

"(4) Where an insured person in relation to whom byssinosis is prescribed in sub-paragraph (c) of regulation 2 develops byssinosis, the disease shall, unless the contrary is proved, be presumed to be due to the nature of his insurable employment."

Amendment of Regulation 33 of the principal regulations

4. The following regulation shall be substituted for regulation 33 of the principal regulations (which relates to special conditions for disablement benefit):—

(a) 1946. c. 21.

(b) S.R. & O. 1948. No. 212 as amended by S.R. & O. 1949. No. 173; S.R. & O. 1951. No. 21; S.R. & O. 1951. No. 31; S.R. & O. 1953. No. 74; S.R. & O. 1954. No. 21; S.R. & O. 1956. No. 13.