except that a local tribunal or the umpire, instead of themselves or himself referring a question for determination in accordance with subparagraph (*a*) of the last foregoing paragraph, shall direct it to be so referred by the insurance officer.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this 12th day of June, 1948, in the presence of

(L.S.) *William Allen,*
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 12th day of June, 1948, in the presence of

(L.S.) *John I. Cook,*
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland.

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REGULATIONS, DATED 2ND JULY, 1948, MADE BY THE NATIONAL INSURANCE JOINT AUTHORITY, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1948. No. 235

The National Insurance Joint Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 18 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation.

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Guardian's Allowances) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948, and shall come into operation on the 2nd July, 1948.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Act" means the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946;

"insurance officer", "local tribunal" and "the umpire" have the same meanings as in the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948;

"the determining authority" means, as the case may require, an insurance officer, a local tribunal or the umpire;

and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.

(3) References in these regulations to any enactment or regulations shall include references to such enactment or regulations as amended by any subsequent enactment, order or regulations.

(4) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

Adopted children.

2. Subject to the provisions of regulation 7, where a child has been adopted within the meaning of the Adoption of Children Act (Northern Ireland), 1929, there shall be substituted for the condition contained in paragraph (*a*) of subsection (1) of section 18 of the Act that the parents (including any step-parent) of the child are dead, that condition set out below which is appropriate to the circumstances of the case, namely,—

(*a*) if the child was adopted by a person who was not married at the date of the adoption order, the condition that that person is dead, and that, if that person married after the date of the adoption order, the spouse whom that person so married is also dead; or

(*b*) if the child was adopted by two spouses jointly, or by one of two spouses with the consent of the other, the condition that both of those spouses are dead, and that, if either of them remarried, the person whom either of such spouses remarried is also dead;