

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 16

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PAYMENT: AMENDMENTS

*The Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 7)*

2. The Contributions and Benefits Act is amended as follows.
- 3.—(1) Section 20 (descriptions of contributory benefits) is amended as follows.
  - (2) In subsection (1), for paragraph (ea) substitute—

“(ea) widowed parent’s allowance;”.
  - (3) In subsection (2), in the definition of “long-term benefit” omit paragraph (bb).
- 4.—(1) Section 21 (contribution conditions) is amended as follows.
  - (2) In the table in subsection (2) omit the entries for bereavement payment and bereavement allowance.
  - (3) Omit subsection (4).
5. In section 22 (earnings factors), in subsection (2), after paragraph (c) (inserted by Schedule 12) insert “and
  - (d) establishing entitlement to bereavement support payment under section 29 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015.”.
- 6.—(1) Section 23A (contributions credits for relevant parents and carers) is amended as follows.
  - (2) In subsection (1) omit paragraph (e).
  - (3) In subsection (6)(b) omit “or (e)”.
7. For the italic heading above section 36 substitute “Bereavement benefits: deaths before the day on which section 29 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 comes into operation”.
8. Section 36 (bereavement payment) is repealed.
9. Section 36A (cases in which sections 37 to 41 apply) is repealed.
- 10.—(1) Section 37 (widowed mother’s allowance) is amended as follows.
  - (2) Before subsection (1) insert—

“(A1) This section applies only in cases where a woman’s husband has died before 9 April 2001.”.

(3) At the end of the heading insert “: deaths before 9 April 2001”.

**11.**—(1) Section 38 (widow’s pension) is amended as follows.

(2) Before subsection (1) insert—

“(A1) This section applies only in cases where a woman’s husband has died before 9 April 2001.”.

(3) At the end of the heading insert “: deaths before 9 April 2001”.

**12.** In section 39A (widowed parent’s allowance), for subsection (1) substitute—

“(1) This section applies where—

(a) a person’s spouse or civil partner has died before the day on which section 29 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 comes into operation (but see subsection (1A)),

(b) the person has not married or formed a civil partnership after the death but before that day, and

(c) the person is under pensionable age on that day.

(1A) This section does not apply in cases where a woman’s husband has died before 9 April 2001.”.

**13.** Section 39B (bereavement allowance where no dependent children) is repealed.

**14.**—(1) Section 39C (rate of widowed parent’s allowance and bereavement allowance) is amended as follows.

(2) Omit subsection (2).

(3) Omit subsection (5).

(4) In the heading omit “and bereavement allowance”.

**15.** In section 48B (Category B retirement pension for widows and widowers), in subsection (8), for “the appointed day (as defined by section 36A(3))” substitute “9 April 2001”.

**16.** In section 48BB (Category B retirement pension: entitlement by reference to benefits under section 39A or 39B), in subsection (3)(a)(i), after “bereavement allowance” insert “under section 39B (before that section was repealed)”.

**17.**—(1) Section 60 (complete or partial failure to satisfy contribution condition) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1) omit paragraph (ab).

(3) In subsection (3) omit paragraphs (a) and (bb).

**18.**—(1) Schedule 3 (contribution conditions for entitlement to benefit) is amended as follows.

- (2) Omit paragraph 4 and the italic heading above it.
- (3) Omit paragraphs 7 and 9.

**19.** In Schedule 4 (rates of benefits etc.) omit Part 2.