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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1977 No. 1248**

**Criminal Injuries (Compensation)  
(Northern Ireland) Order 1977**

**Applications for compensation**

- 4.—(1) An application for compensation—
- (a) shall be made in such manner as may be prescribed; and
  - (b) must be so made within three months from the date on which a notice is served on the Secretary of State under Article 3(2)( d)(ii) in relation to the application unless there was reasonable cause for not making the application within that period.
- (2) Where the victim is an unborn child, paragraph (1) shall have effect with the substitution for the words from “three months” to “application” of the words “ six months from the date of birth of the child ”.
- (3) Any such application may be made by any of the persons mentioned in Article 3(1) but so that—
- (a) where the victim has died as a result of the criminal injury, the application may be made by the victim's spouse on behalf of both the applicant and of such children, if any, as are the victim's dependants;
  - (b) where there is no surviving spouse of a deceased victim or the victim or other person entitled to apply for compensation is, by reason of age or otherwise, incapable of making the application, it may be made by such person as may be prescribed.
- (4) Where any such application is made to the Secretary of State in accordance with this Order, he shall determine the amount (if any) of compensation payable to the applicant.
- (5) A determination under paragraph (4) shall specify the amount (if any) of compensation payable in respect of—
- (a) pecuniary loss;
  - (b) expenses; and
  - (c) other matters.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Injuries (Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, Section 4.