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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1997 No. 113**

**The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1997**

**Part III**

**Family Credit, Disability Working Allowance, Income Support and Housing Benefit**

**Family credit**

- 16.** In the Family Credit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(1)—
- (a) in regulation 46(4) (determination of appropriate maximum family credit) the capital sum prescribed is £3,000;
  - (b) in regulation 46(4), (5) and (6) the amount specified for the credit in respect of a child or young person is nil;
  - (c) in regulation 47(1) (applicable amount) for “£75·20” there shall be substituted “£77·15”;
  - and
  - (d) in Schedule 4 (determination of maximum family credit) the sums prescribed shall be as set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

**Disability working allowance**

- 17.** In the Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992(2)—
- (a) in regulation 51(4) (determination of appropriate maximum disability working allowance) the capital sum prescribed is £3,000;
  - (b) in regulation 51(4), (5) and (6) the amount specified for the allowance in respect of a child or young person is nil;
  - (c) in regulation 52(1) (applicable amount)—
    - (i) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£56·40” there shall be substituted “£57·85”, and
    - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£75·20” there shall be substituted “£77·15”;
  - (d) in Schedule 5 (determination of appropriate maximum disability working allowance) the sums prescribed shall be as set out in Schedule 3 to this Order.

**Applicable amounts for income support**

**18.—**(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Income Support Regulations shall be the sums set out in the following provisions of this Article and Schedules 4 to 8 to this Order; and for this purpose a reference in this Article to a numbered regulation

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(1) [S.R. 1987 No. 463](#); relevant amending provisions are [S.R. 1992 No. 403](#), [S.R. 1993 No. 373](#), [S.R. 1995 No. 223](#) and [S.R. 1996 No. 73](#)

(2) [S.R. 1992 No. 78](#); relevant amending provisions are [S.R. 1993 No. 373](#), [S.R. 1995 Nos. 67 and 223](#) and [S.R. 1996 No. 73](#)

or Schedule is a reference to the regulation of, or Schedule to, the Income Support Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulations 17(1)(b), 18(1)(c), 21(1) and 71(1)(a)(ii), (b)(ii) and (iii), (c)(ii) and (d)(i), in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2 and in paragraph 1(2) of Part I of Schedule 4, the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), the sums specified in Part I of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 4 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 as it has effect by virtue of regulation 10(1) of the Personal Allowances for Children and Young Persons Regulations (transitional provisions)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£24·10” there shall be substituted “£24·75”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£28·85” there shall be substituted “£29·60”; and
- (c) in sub-paragraph (d) for “£37·90” there shall be substituted “£38·90”.

(5) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2(3) (applicable amounts: family premium)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) the sum specified is £15·75; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£10·55” there shall be substituted “£10·80”.

(6) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 18(1) of Schedule 3(4) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in head (a) for “£32·00” there shall be substituted “£33·00”; and
- (b) in head (b) for “£6·00” there shall be substituted “£7·00”.

(8) In paragraph 18(2) of Schedule 3—

- (a) in head (a) for “£76·00” there shall be substituted “£78·00”;
- (b) in head (b) for “£76·00”, “£114·00” and “£12·00” there shall be substituted “£78·00”, “£116·00” and “£13·00” respectively; and
- (c) in head (c) for “£114·00”, “£150·00” and “£16·00” there shall be substituted “£116·00”, “£152·00” and “£17·00” respectively.

(9) In paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 4 (applicable amounts of persons in homes for persons in need and nursing homes) for “£234·00” there shall be substituted “£240·00” and, subject to paragraph (2), those other sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in that Schedule shall be as set out in Schedule 6 to this Order.

(10) Those sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in Schedule 7 (applicable amounts in special cases) shall be as set out in Schedule 7 to this Order.

(11) The sums specified in any provision of the Income Support Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 8 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

### **Income support transitional protection**

**19.** Sums which are special transitional additions to income support payable in accordance with regulation 15 of the Income Support (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(5) shall be increased by 2·6 per cent. of their amount apart from this Order.

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(3) Paragraph 3 was amended by regulation 18 of S.R. 1988 No. 318 and regulation 5(4)(a) of S.R. 1996 No. 288

(4) Schedule 3 was substituted by Schedule 1 to S.R. 1995 No. 301 and paragraph 18 was amended by regulation 2(3)(j) of S.R. 1995 No. 434 and Article 18(6) and (7) of S.R. 1996 No. 73

(5) S.R. 1987 No. 460; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 Nos. 132 and 153, S.R. 1989 No. 371 and S.R. 1991 No. 341

### The relevant sum for income support

20. In section 125(7) of the Contributions and Benefits Act(6) (trade disputes) for “£26·00” there shall be substituted “£26·50”.

### Housing benefit

21. In the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(7)—

- (a) in regulations 16(b) and 17(c) and in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2, in so far as they relate to rent, the sum specified is in each case £3,000;
- (b) in regulation 63 (non-dependant deductions)—
  - (i) in paragraph (1)(b)(i) for “£6·00” there shall be substituted “£7·00”,
  - (ii) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£76·00” there shall be substituted “£78·00”,
  - (iii) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£76·00”, “£114·00” and “£12·00” there shall be substituted “£78·00”, “£116·00” and “£13·00” respectively,
  - (iv) in paragraph (2)(c) for “£114·00”, “£150·00” and “£16·00” there shall be substituted “£116·00”, “£152·00” and “£17·00” respectively, and
  - (v) in paragraph (2)(ca)(8) for “£150·00” and “£32·00” there shall be substituted “£152·00” and “£33·00” respectively; and
- (c) in Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges)—
  - (i) in paragraph 1A(9) for “£17·10”, “£17·10”, “£8·65”, “£11·35”, “£11·35”, “£5·70” and “£2·05” there shall be substituted “£17·55”, “£17·55”, “£8·85”, “£11·65”, “£11·65”, “£5·85” and “£2·10” respectively, and
  - (ii) in paragraph 5(2) the sums specified are £9·25, £1·15, £0·80 and £1·15 respectively.

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(6) Section 125(7) was amended by Article 20 of S.R. 1996 No. 73

(7) S.R. 1987 No. 461; relevant amending provisions are S.R. 1988 No. 314, S.R. 1989 No. 125, S.R. 1990 No. 136, S.R. 1992 Nos. 85 and 549, S.R. 1993 No. 381, S.R. 1994 No. 74, S.R. 1996 Nos. 73 and 84 and S.R. 1997 No. 3

(8) Sub-paragraph (ca) was inserted by regulation 2(b) of S.R. 1997 No. 3

(9) Paragraph 1A was inserted by regulation 7(b) of S.R. 1988 No. 314 and amended by regulation 8 of S.R. 1989 No. 125