#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2012 No. 236 (C. 21)

### **PENSIONS**

# The Pensions (2008 No. 2 Act) (Commencement No. 8) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

*Made - - - - 7th June 2012* 

The Department for Social Development makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 118(1) of the Pensions (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 2008(1).

#### Citation

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Pensions (2008 No. 2 Act) (Commencement No. 8) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012.

#### **Commencement of provisions**

- **2.** The following provisions of the Pensions (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 shall come into operation, in so far as they are not already in operation, on 8th June 2012—
  - (a) section 14(2) (review of earnings trigger and qualifying earnings band), and
  - (b) section 28(3) (certification that quality requirement or alternative requirement is satisfied).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 7th June 2012

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<sup>(1) 2008</sup> c. 13 (N.I.)

<sup>(2)</sup> Section 14 was amended by section 9(1) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2012 (c. 3 (N.I.))

<sup>(3)</sup> Section 28 was amended by sections 13(1) to (6) and 14 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2012

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into operation sections 14 and 28 of the Pensions (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 ("the Act") as amended by the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2012 (c. 3 (N.I.)) ("the 2012 Act"), in so far as they are not already in operation, on 8th June 2012.

Section 14 of the Act (as amended by section 9 of the 2012 Act) provides that whenever an order is made under section 14 of the Pensions Act 2008 (c. 30), the Department for Social Development may make a corresponding order for Northern Ireland substituting the earnings trigger and qualifying earnings band for automatic enrolment and re-enrolment.

Section 28 of the Act (as amended by sections 13 and 14 of the 2012 Act) allows an employer to certify that the pension scheme used by that employer meets the quality requirements imposed by Part 1 of the Act or alternative requirements that are prescribed.

#### NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order)

The following provisions of the Pensions (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 have been brought into operation by earlier commencement orders as from the dates shown.

Provision		Date of Commencement	S.R. No.
Section 49	(partially)	3rd January 2012	2011/441 (C.33)
Sections 61 and 62		26th January 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
Section 63		16th March 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Section 78	(partially)	5th July 2010	2010/50 (C.2)
Section 79		6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
Section 80	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/147 (C.9)
Section 83	(partially)	3rd January 2012	2011/441 (C.33)
Section 85		6th April 2012	2012/119 (C.12)
Sections 86 to 98		6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Section 99	(partially)	16th March 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
	(partially)	6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Section 100	(partially)	1st April 2009	2009/147 (C.9)
Section 101		6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Section 103	(partially)	29th June 2009	2009/249 (C.16)
Section 104	(partially)	26th February 2010	2010/50 (C.2)
Section 105		6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
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Provision		Date of Commencement	S.R. No.
Sections 106 and 107		26th January 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
Section 116	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
	(partially)	6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
	(partially)	6th April 2012	2012/119 (C.12)
Schedule 1	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/147 (C.9)
Schedule 3	(partially)	3rd January 2012	2011/441 (C.33)
Schedule 4	(partially)	6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Schedule 5		6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
Schedule 6	(partially)	1st April 2009	2009/147 (C.9)
Schedule 8	(partially)	29th June 2009	2009/249 (C.16)
Schedule 9	(partially)	26th February 2010	2010/50 (C.2)
Schedule 10	(partially)	6th April 2009	2009/22 (C.1)
	(partially)	6th April 2011	2011/108 (C.7)
	(partially)	6th April 2012	2012/119 (C.12)