



Social Security Act 1998

1998 CHAPTER 14

PART I

DECISIONS AND APPEALS

CHAPTER II

SOCIAL SECURITY DECISIONS AND APPEALS

Suspension and termination of benefit

24 Suspension and termination for failure to submit to medical examination

Regulations may make provision—

- (a) enabling the Secretary of State to require a person to whom a relevant benefit has been awarded to submit to medical examination;
- (b) for suspending payments of benefit, in whole or in part, in a case of a person who fails to submit himself to a medical examination to which he is required to submit in accordance with regulations under paragraph (a) above;
- (c) for the subsequent making in prescribed circumstances of any or all of the payments so suspended;
- (d) for entitlement to the benefit to cease, except in prescribed cases or circumstances, from a date not earlier than the date on which payments were suspended.

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 24 in force at 4.3.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/528](#), art. 2(a), [Sch.](#)
- I2** S. 24 in force at 5.7.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/1958](#), art. 2(1)(b), [Sch. 1](#) (with art. 5, [Sch. 12](#))
- I3** S. 24 in force at 6.9.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/2422](#), art. 2(c), [Sch. 1](#) (with art. 4, [Sch. 14](#))

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- 14** S. 24 in force at 5.10.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/2739, art. 2, Sch. 1](#) (with art. 3, Sch. 2)
- 15** S. 24 in force at 18.10.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/2860, art. 2\(c\), Sch. 1](#) (with art. 4, Schs. 16-18)
- 16** S. 24 in force at 29.11.1999 for specified purposes by [S.I. 1999/3178, art. 2\(1\)\(a\)\(2\), Sch. 1](#) (with art. 4, Schs. 21-23)

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- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2010/1907 reg. 16\(2\)\(c\)Sch. 2](#)
- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2010/875 reg. 16Sch. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2010/875 revoked (27.8.2010) before coming into force by S.I. 2010/1906, regs. 1(2), 2)
- Act modified by [S.S.I. 2024/62 art. 2](#)
- Act modified by [S.I. 2024/149 art. 2](#)
- Act power to apply (with modifications) conferred by [2004 c. 6 s. 24\(5\)-\(7\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 38(1A) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 20\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 16-21 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 73; S.I. 2012/3090, art. 2(1)(b))
- Sch. 2 para. 7A and cross-head inserted by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 2 para. 50\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 18 functions modified by [S.I. 2000/2853 reg. 3\(1\)Sch. 2 para. 4](#)
- Sch. 24 functions modified by [S.I. 2000/2853 reg. 3\(1\)Sch. 2 para. 5](#)