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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 5

Section 35

#### UNIVERSAL CREDIT AND OTHER WORKING-AGE BENEFITS

##### *General*

- 1 (1) In this Schedule “relevant benefit“ means—
- (a) jobseeker's allowance, or
  - (b) employment and support allowance.
- (2) In this Schedule “work-related requirement“ means—
- (a) a work-related requirement within the meaning of this Part,
  - (b) a work-related requirement within the meaning of the Jobseekers Act 1995, or
  - (c) a work-related requirement within the meaning of Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007.
- (3) In this Schedule “sanction” means a reduction of benefit under—
- (a) section 26 or 27,
  - (b) section 6J or 6K of the Jobseekers Act 1995, or
  - (c) section 11J of the Welfare Reform Act 2007.

##### **Commencement Information**

**II** Sch. 5 para. 1 in force at 29.4.2013 by S.I. 2013/983, art. 3(1)(c)

##### *Dual entitlement*

- 2 (1) Regulations may make provision as to the amount payable by way of a relevant benefit where a person is entitled to that benefit and universal credit.
- (2) Regulations under sub-paragraph (1) may in particular provide for no amount to be payable by way of a relevant benefit.
- (3) Regulations may, where a person is entitled to a relevant benefit and universal credit—
- (a) make provision as to the application of work-related requirements;
  - (b) make provision as to the application of sanctions.
- (4) Provision under sub-paragraph (3)(a) includes in particular—
- (a) provision securing that compliance with a work-related requirement for a relevant benefit is to be treated as compliance with a work-related requirement for universal credit;

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- (b) provision disapplying any requirement on the Secretary of State to impose, or a person to comply with, a work-related requirement for a relevant benefit or universal credit.
- (5) Provision under sub-paragraph (3)(b) includes in particular—
- (a) provision for the order in which sanctions are to be applied to awards of relevant benefit and universal credit;
  - (b) provision to secure that the application of a sanction to an award of a relevant benefit does not result in an increase of the amount of an award of universal credit.

**Commencement Information**

**I2** Sch. 5 para. 2 in force at 25.2.2013 by S.I. 2013/358, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 para. 41

*Movement between working-age benefits*

- 3 Regulations may provide—
- (a) in a case where a person ceases to be entitled to universal credit and becomes entitled to a relevant benefit, for a sanction relating to the award of universal credit to be applied to the award of the relevant benefit;
  - (b) in a case where a person ceases to be entitled to a relevant benefit and becomes entitled to universal credit, for a sanction relating to the award of the relevant benefit to be applied to the award of universal credit;
  - (c) in a case where a person ceases to be entitled to one relevant benefit and becomes entitled to the other, for a sanction relating to the award of the former to apply to the award of the latter.

**Commencement Information**

**I3** Sch. 5 para. 3 in force at 25.2.2013 by S.I. 2013/358, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 para. 41

PROSPECTIVE

*Hardship payments*

- 4 Regulations under section 28 (hardship payments) may be made in relation to a person whose award of universal credit is reduced by virtue of regulations under paragraph 2(3)(b) or 3(b) as in relation to a person whose award is reduced under section 26 or 27.

PROSPECTIVE

*Earnings tapers*

- 5 In section 4 of the Jobseekers Act 1995 (amount payable by way of a jobseeker's allowance), in subsection (1)(b)—
- (a) after “making” there is inserted—

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- “(i) deductions in respect of earnings calculated in the prescribed manner (which may include multiplying some or all earnings by a prescribed percentage), and  
(ii)”;
- (b) “earnings,”(before “pension payments“) is repealed.
- 6 (1) Section 2 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007 (amount of contributory allowance) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1)(c), after “making” there is inserted—  
“(i) deductions in respect of earnings calculated in the prescribed manner (which may include multiplying some or all earnings by a prescribed percentage), and  
(ii)”.
- (3) At the end there is inserted—  
“(6) In subsection (1)(c)(i) the reference to earnings is to be construed in accordance with sections 3, 4 and 112 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992.”

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