
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1991 No. 2238

**The Social Fund Cold Weather Payments
(General) Amendment No.2 Regulations 1991**

Amendment of regulation 1 of the Cold Weather Payments Regulations

2. In regulation 1(2) of the Cold Weather Payments Regulations (citation, commencement and interpretation)⁽¹⁾—

- (a) for the definition of “claimant” there shall be substituted the following definition—

““claimant” means a person who is claiming or has claimed income support;”;
- (b) after the definition of “family” there shall be inserted the following definitions—

““forecast” means a weather forecast produced by the Meteorological Office of the Ministry of Defence and supplied to the Department of Social Security on a daily basis which provides the expected average mean daily temperature for a period of 7 consecutive days;

“forecasted period of cold weather” means a period of 7 consecutive days, during which the average of the mean daily temperature for that period is forecasted to be equal to or below 0 degrees celsius; and for the purposes of this definition where a day forms part of a forecasted period of cold weather it shall not form part of any other such forecasted period;”;
- (c) after the definition of “mean daily temperature” there shall be inserted the following definition—

““overlap period” means any period of a day or days, where a day forms part of a recorded period of cold weather and also forms part of a forecasted period of cold weather;”;
- (d) the definition of “period of cold weather” shall be omitted;
- (e) after the definition of “polygamous marriage” there shall be inserted the following definitions—

““Post Office postcode area” has the meaning given to it in Schedule 2 to these Regulations;

“recorded period of cold weather” means a period of 7 consecutive days, during which the average of the mean daily temperature recorded for that period was equal to or below 0 degrees celsius; and for the purposes of this definition where a day forms part of a recorded period of cold weather it shall not form part of any other such recorded period;

“sector” means the area identified by the number which commences the second part of a Post Office postcode;”.

(1) Regulation 1(2) was amended by S.I.1988/1908 and 1990/580.