
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 867

**The Social Security (Basic Skills
Training Pilot) Regulations 2004**

Application of basic skills training

3.—(1) In relation to a person to whom paragraph (2) applies, “training scheme” in sections 19 and 20A of the Jobseekers Act 1995⁽¹⁾ (circumstances in which a jobseeker’s allowance is not payable and denial or reduction of joint-claim jobseeker’s allowance) means, in addition to the training schemes listed in regulation 75 of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996⁽²⁾ (interpretation), basic skills training.

(2) This paragraph shall apply to any person—

- (a) who, on or after 5th April 2004, but before 4th April 2005, attends an appropriate office pursuant to a notification given or sent under regulation 23 or 23A of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996⁽³⁾ (attendance and attendance by members of a joint-claim couple); and
- (b) who, on the day he so attends, is aged 18 years or over and less than 60; and
- (c) who has been receiving benefit for a period of not less than six months; and
- (d) in respect of whom the Secretary of State considers it appropriate that he should participate in basic skills training; and
- (e) who has been given or sent a notice in writing by an employment officer advising him that if he fails to participate in such training, his jobseeker’s allowance could cease to be payable or could be payable at a lower rate.

(1) Section 20A was inserted by the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (c. 30), section 59 and Schedule 7, paragraph 13.
(2) S.I.1996/207; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1997/2863, 1998/1274, 2000/1978 and 2001/652.
(3) Regulation 23 was substituted by S.I. 2000/2194 and regulation 23A was inserted by S.I. 2000/1978.