
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations make provision consequential on the coming into force of the Housing Benefit Regulations 2006, the Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations 2006, the Council Tax Benefit Regulations 2006 and the Council Tax Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations 2006 (“the Consolidating Regulations”). Those Regulations replace the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987, the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992 and the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (State Pension Credit) Regulations 2003, all of which are revoked in accordance with regulation 3.

Regulation 2 provides for the continuity of the law following the coming into force of the Consolidating Regulations.

Regulation 3 and Schedule 1 provide for the revocation of all Regulations included in the Consolidating Regulations together with those regulations relating to housing benefit and council tax benefit which are spent or are continued in force in these Regulations.

Regulation 4 provides that documents made, served or issued after the coming into force of the Consolidating Regulations but which contain references to regulations revoked by these Regulations are to be construed as referring to the corresponding provision of the Consolidating Regulations.

Regulations 5 and Schedule 2 contain amendments to other Instruments which are consequential on the coming into force of the Consolidating Regulations.

Regulation 6 and Schedule 3 contain savings and transitional provisions which are carried forward from Regulations revoked by these Regulations.

Regulation 7 and Schedule 4 contain transitory provisions which apply for a limited period.