STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Social Security (Work-focused Interviews for Lone Parents and Partners) (Amendment) Regulations 2011

Amendment of the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008

- **5.**—(1) The Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation)(2)
 - (a) in paragraph (1)—
 - (i) omit the definition of "lone parent"; and
 - (ii) in the definition of "single claimant", after "lone parent" insert "or a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person"; and
 - (b) after paragraph (5), insert—
 - "(6) Subject to paragraph (7), for the purposes of section 24(3A)(b) of the Act, a lone parent is to be treated as responsible for, and a member of the same household as, a person under the age of 16 only where the circumstances set out in regulation 156 apply.
 - (7) For the purposes of sections 12 and 13 of the Act, and regulations made under those sections, a lone parent is to be treated as responsible for, and a member of the same household as a child only where the lone parent would be treated as responsible for and a member of the same household as such a child under regulations 15 and 16 of the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(3), if references in those Regulations to income support were to employment and support allowance."
- (3) In regulation 54 (requirement to take part in a work-focused interview), in paragraph (2)—
 - (a) at the end of subparagraph (c), omit "and"; and
 - (b) at the end of subparagraph (d), insert—
 - " and
 - (e) is not a lone parent who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a child under one.".
- (4) In regulation 131(1) (students interpretation)(4), in the definition of "grant income", after "lone parent" insert ", is a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person".
 - (5) In Schedule 4 (amounts)(5)—
 - (a) in paragraph 1(2) of Part 1 (prescribed amounts), after "lone parent" insert "or a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person"; and

¹⁾ S.I. 2008/794

⁽²⁾ Regulation 2 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.

⁽³⁾ S.I.1978/1967

⁽⁴⁾ Regulation 131 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.

⁽⁵⁾ Schedule 4 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.

- (b) in paragraph 6(2)(a) of Part 2 (premiums), after "lone parent" insert ", a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person".
- (6) In the second column in Part 1 of Schedule 5 (special cases)(6)—
 - (a) in paragraphs 4 and 5, for "or a lone parent," in each place substitute ", a lone parent or a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person"; and
 - (b) in paragraphs 6 and 7, for "or, as the case may be, a lone parent", substitute ", a lone parent, or as the case may be a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person".
- (7) In paragraph 15 of Schedule 6 (housing costs)(7)—
 - (a) in subparagraph (1)(d), for "(lone parents)", substitute "(lone parents etc.)"; and
 - (b) for subparagraph (10), substitute—
 - "(10) Subject to sub-paragraph (11), for the purposes of this Schedule, a claimant is to be treated as entitled to an income-related allowance throughout any period of not more than 39 weeks following the refusal of a claim for an income-related allowance made by or on behalf of the claimant, if the claimant is a person to whom sub-paragraph (8) applies and who is—
 - (a) a lone parent;
 - (b) a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a members of the same household as a young person; or
 - (c) a person who is described in paragraph 4 or 5 of Schedule 1B of the Income Support (General) Regulations (persons caring for another person).".
- (8) In paragraph 5 of Schedule 9 (capital to be disregarded)(8), for "a lone parent" substitute "a lone parent or a person who has no partner and who is responsible for and a member of the same household as a young person,".

⁽⁶⁾ Schedule 5 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.

⁽⁷⁾ Schedule 6 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.

⁽⁸⁾ Schedule 9 has been amended but not in a way which is material to these Regulations.