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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 461**

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND**

**The National Health Service (Optical  
Charges and Payments) Regulations 2013**

*Made - - - - 28th February 2013*

*Laid before Parliament 5th March 2013*

*Coming into force in accordance with  
regulation 1(1)*

**THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (OPTICAL  
CHARGES AND PAYMENTS) REGULATIONS 2013**

PART 1

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10. Issue of vouchers by NHS trusts

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#### SCHEDULE 1 — VOUCHER LETTER CODES AND FACE VALUES—SUPPLY AND REPLACEMENT

For the purposes of this Schedule —

#### SCHEDULE 2 — PRISMS, TINTS, PHOTOCHROMIC LENSES, SMALL AND SPECIAL GLASSES AND COMPLEX APPLIANCES

1. (1) The amounts in column 3 of Schedule 1 and...
2. The minimum complex appliance payment is— (a) for a complex...

#### SCHEDULE 3 — VOUCHER VALUES —REPAIR

#### SCHEDULE 4 — REGULATIONS REVOKED

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## Explanatory Note

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- Sch. 1 Table sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(3)(b)
- Sch. 1 Table sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(3)(c)
- Sch. 1 Table sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(3)(d)
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- Sch. 1 Table sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(3)(j)
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- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(a) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(i)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(b) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(ii)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(c) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(iii)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(d) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(iv)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(e) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(v)(aa)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(e) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(v)(bb)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(e) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(v)(cc)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(f)(i) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(vi)(aa)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(f)(ii) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(vi)(bb)
- Sch. 2 para. 1(1)(f)(iii) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(a)(vi)(cc)
- Sch. 2 para. 2(a) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(4)(b)(i)
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- reg. 1(2) words omitted by S.I. 2023/1071 reg. 66(2)(a)
- reg. 1(2) words substituted by 2020 c. 17 Sch. 24 para. 417
- reg. 4(3) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(2)

- reg. 5(2)(b)(i) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(3)(a)(i)
- reg. 5(2)(b)(i) words substituted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(3)(a)(ii)
- reg. 9(1) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(5)(a)(i)
- reg. 12(4) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(6)
- reg. 14(2)(a) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(7)(a)
- reg. 14(2)(c) substituted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(7)(b)
- reg. 17(4) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(8)
- reg. 19(2)(a) words omitted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(9)(a)(i)
- reg. 19(2)(b) substituted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(9)(a)(ii)
- reg. 20(1)(b) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(2)(a)
- reg. 20(1)(b) sum substituted by S.I. 2023/244 reg. 2(2)(a)
- reg. 20(3) sum substituted by S.I. 2022/221 reg. 2(2)(b)
- reg. 20(3) sum substituted by S.I. 2023/244 reg. 2(2)(b)
- reg. 26(2)(i) substituted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(10)(a)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

- blanket amendment words substituted by S.I. 2023/1071 Sch. para. 1

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- reg. 5(2)(b)(iii) and word inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(3)(b)
- reg. 5(3) inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(4)
- reg. 9(1A) inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(5)(b)
- reg. 14(3) inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(7)(c)
- reg. 19(3) inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(9)(b)
- reg. 26(3) inserted by S.I. 2023/848 reg. 4(10)(b)