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# SOCIAL SECURITY

# STATUTORY MATERNITY PAY; STATUTORY SICK PAY; HOUSING; RATES

# The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1989

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Whereas the Secretary of State for Social Services has made an order(a) under section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986(b):

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1989/43
(b) 1986 c. 50

Now, therefore, the Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 64 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

### PART I

### INTRODUCTION

### Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1989.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) to (6), this order shall come into operation for the purposes of Articles 1 and 2 on 1st April 1989, for the purposes of Article 10 on 2nd April 1989, for the purposes of Articles 9 and 12 on 6th April 1989, for the purposes of Articles 13 and 14 on 11th April 1989, and for all other purposes on 10th April 1989.

(3) Articles 15, 16 and 17 of this order shall come into operation in relation to any particular beneficiary at the beginning of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 1989, and for this purpose "benefit week" has the same meaning as in the Income Support Regulations(b).

(4) Article 18 of this order shall come into operation in relation to any case to which paragraph (5) applies on 1st April 1989, and in any other case on 3rd April 1989.

- (5) This paragraph applies in any case where-
- (a) rent is payable at intervals of one month or any other interval which is not a week or a multiple thereof; or
- (b) payments by way of rates are not made together with payments of rent at weekly intervals or multiples thereof.

(6) The increases made by this order in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Act or the Pensions Order shall take effect for each case on the date specified in relation to that case in Article 5 of this order.

#### Interpretation

**2.**—(1) In this order—

- "the Act" means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(c);
- "the Order" means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986;
- "the Pensions Order" means the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(d):
- "the Family Credit Regulations" means the Family Credit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(e);

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)
(b) S.R. 1987 No. 459; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1988 No. 318
(c) 1975 c. 15
(d) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)

<sup>(</sup>e) S.R. 1987 No. 463; as amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 131, 192, 205, 303 and 423

"the Income Support Regulations" means the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(a): and

"the Housing Benefit Regulations" means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(b).

(2) Any reference in this order to a numbered section is a reference to the section of the Act bearing that number.

# PART II

# SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

# Increase in rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Act

**3.**—(1) In this Article "Schedule 4" means Schedule 4 to the Act(c).

(2) The sums specified in paragraph (3) shall be increased from and including the respective dates specified in Article 5; and Schedule 4 shall accordingly have effect as set out in Schedule 1 to this order.

(3) The sums mentioned in paragraph (2) are the sums specified in Parts I, III, IV and V of Schedule 4 (contributory periodical benefits, noncontributory periodical benefits, increases for dependants and rate or amount of industrial injuries benefit, respectively), except the sum specified in the said Part III for age addition.

Increase in rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Pensions Order 4.--(1) The sums mentioned in paragraphs (2) and (3) shall be increased from and including the respective dates specified in Article 5.

(2) In Article 8(1)(a) of the Pensions Order (basic pension of Category A retirement pension)-

- (a) so far as the sum is relevant for the purpose of calculating under section 14(6)(d) the rate of sickness benefit, for the sum of £39.45(e) there shall be substituted the sum of £41.80; and
- (b) except so far as mentioned in sub-paragraph (a), for the sum of  $\pounds 41 \cdot 15(\mathbf{e})$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 43 \cdot 60$ .

<sup>(</sup>a) S.R. 1987 No. 459; as amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 146, 193, 205, 274, 318 and 431
(b) S.R. 1987 No. 461; as amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 117, 186, 314 and 424
(c) Schedule 4 was amended by paragraphs 35 and 36 of Schedule 4 to and Schedule 5 to the Child Benefit (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 (S.I. 1975/1504 (N.I. 16)); Article 24(2) of, and paragraphs 42 and 43 of Schedule 5 to, and Schedule 6 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 (S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)); paragraph 13 of Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5)); paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 5)); paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to, paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to, and Part II of Schedule 6 to the Health and Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982 (S.I. 1982/1084 (N.I. 16)); paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to, paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to, and Part II of Schedule 6 to the Health and Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/1209 (N.I. 16)); Article 37(2) of, and Schedule 10 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (and S.R. 1987 No. 458 S.R. 1987 No. 458

<sup>(</sup>d) Section 14(6) was amended by paragraph 21(b) of Schedule 5 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 and paragraph 53 of Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986
(e) See Article 3(2) of S.R. 1987 No. 458

- (3) It is hereby directed that the sums which are-
- (a) the additional pensions in the rates of long-term benefits calculated by reference to any final relevant year earlier than the tax year 1988/1989,
- (b) the increases in the rates of retirement pensions under Schedule 1 to the Pensions Order (increase of pension where pensioner defers retirement), and
- (c) (i) payable by virtue of Article 37(6) of the Pensions Order(a) (which provides for increases in a person's guaranteed minimum pension if payment of his occupational pension is postponed after he attains pensionable age) to a person who is also entitled to a Category A or Category B retirement pension (including sums payable by virtue of Article 38(3) of that Order)(b); and
  - (ii) payable to such a person as part of his Category A or Category B retirement pension by virtue of an order made under section 120(c) or Article 64 of the Order, corresponding to an order made by the Secretary of State under section 126A of the Social Security Act 1975(d) or section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986 respectively,

shall in each case be increased by 5.9 per cent. of their amount apart from this order.

### Dates on which sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Act or the Pensions Order are increased by this order

5.—(1) The following provisions of this Article specify the date on which the increases made by this order in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Act or the Pensions Order shall take effect for each case.

(2) In relation to the case of a person over pensionable age who has not retired from regular employment and for whom the rate of unemployment benefit, sickness benefit or invalidity pension falls to be calculated in accordance with section 14(6) or 15(4)(e), the increases in the sums mentioned in Articles 3, 4 and 7 for Category A and Category B retirement pension and graduated retirement benefit (together with, where appropriate, increases for dependants) shall take effect on 13th April 1989; and in relation to all other cases the increases in such sums shall take effect on 10th April 1989.

(3) The increase in the sums mentioned in Article 4(3)(c) shall take effect on 10th April 1989.

<sup>(</sup>a) Article 37(6) was amended by Article 4(2) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/610 (N.I. 11))

<sup>(</sup>b) Article 38(3) was substituted by Article 11(3)(b) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986
(c) Section 120 was amended by the Schedule to the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, Article 9(5) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 and Schedule 10 to the Social

Article 9(5) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 and Schedule 10 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986
 (d) 1975 c. 14; section 126A was inserted by section 12 of the Social Security Act 1979 (c. 18) and

 <sup>(</sup>d) 1975 c. 14; section 126A was inserted by section 12 of the Social Security Act 1979 (c. 18) and repealed by Schedule 11 to the Social Security Act 1986
 (e) Section 15(4) was amended by paragraph 22(c) of Schedule 5 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern)

<sup>(</sup>e) Section 15(4) was amended by paragraph 22(c) of Schedule 5 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 and paragraph 53 of Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

### Social Security

(4) The increases in the sums specified for the rate of maternity allowance(a), widowed mother's allowance, widow's pension, Category Č and Category D retirement pension, child's special allowance(b), attendance allowance, invalid care allowance (except in a case where the Department has made arrangements for it to be paid on a Wednesday), guardian's allowance and industrial death benefit by way of widow's and widower's pension and allowance in respect of children (together with, where appropriate, increases for dependants) shall in all cases take effect on 10th April 1989.

(5) The increases in the sums specified for the rate of mobility allowance(c), invalid care allowance (in a case where the Department has made arrangements for it to be paid on a Wednesday) (together with, where appropriate, increases for dependants), disablement benefit (together with increases of disablement pension), maximum disablement gratuity under section  $57(5)(\mathbf{d})$ , increase of unemployability supplement under section  $59(\mathbf{e})$ and maximum, under section 91(1)(f), of the aggregate of weekly benefit payable for successive accidents, shall in all cases take effect from 12th April 1989.

(6) Where a person's weekly rate of Category A or Category B retirement pension falls to be increased under the provisions of section 28(7)(g) or  $29(8)(\mathbf{h})$  by reference to the weekly rate of invalidity allowance to which he was previously entitled, the increase in the sum specified for the appropriate rate of invalidity allowance shall take effect on 10th April 1989; and where it does not fall to be so increased the sum so specified shall take effect on 13th April 1989.

(7) The increases in the sums specified for the rate of unemployment and sickness benefit, invalidity pension and severe disablement allowance(i) (together with, where appropriate, increases for dependants) shall take effect in all cases on 13th April 1989.

 <sup>(</sup>a) See 1975 c. 15; section 22 was substituted by paragraph 13 of Schedule 4 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1988 (S.I. 1988/594 (N.I. 2))
 (b) Child's special allowance is abolished except for existing beneficiaries as from 6th April 1987. See

Article 41 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

<sup>(</sup>c) See 1975 c. 15; section 37A was inserted by Article 24(1) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 and was amended by Article 4 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 and Article 72(1) to (3) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

<sup>(</sup>d) Section 57(5) was repealed by Schedule 10 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986; but saved in certain circumstances by regulation 13 of S.R. 1986 No. 340

<sup>(</sup>e) Section 59 ceased to have effect, except for existing beneficiaries, by paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 from 6th April 1987
(f) Section 91(1) was amended by paragraph 11 of Schedule 4 to, and Schedule 5 to, the Social Security

<sup>(</sup>Northern Ireland) Order 1982

<sup>(</sup>g) Section 28(7) was amended by Article 3(3) of the Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/1087 (N.I. 13)) and Article 11(2)(a) and (b) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

<sup>(</sup>h) Section 29(8) was amended by Article 11(3) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

<sup>(</sup>i) See 1975 c. 15; section 36 was substituted by Article 5(1) of the Health and Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1984 and amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

# Increase in rate of benefit under the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Northern Ireland Old Cases) Act 1975

6. With effect from and including 12th April 1989, for "£24.75" there shall be substituted " $\pounds 26 \cdot 20$ " in section 2(6)(c) of the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Northern Ireland Old Cases) Act 1975(a) (maximum weekly rate of lesser incapacity allowance supplementing workmen's compensation).

### Increase in rate of graduated retirement benefit and increments thereof

7.—(1) The sum of 5.39 pence referred to in section 35(1) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(b) (graduated retirement benefit) shall be increased by 5.9 per cent.; and accordingly, from and including 10th April 1989 the reference in that provision to that sum shall have effect as a reference to 5.71 pence.

(2) It is hereby directed that the sums which are the increases of graduated retirement benefit payable under Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Graduated Retirement Benefit) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978(c) (increases for deferred retirement) shall be increased by 5.9 per cent. of their amount apart from this order.

### Sum specified for child benefit

8. In regulation 2 of the Child Benefit and Social Security (Fixing and Adjustment of Rates) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(d) (weekly rates of child benefit)-

- (a) in paragraph (1), the sum specified is  $\pounds 7.25$ ; and
- (b) in paragraph (2), for the sum of  $\pm 4.90$ , there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pm 5.20$ .

### Statutory sick pay

9.—(1) The sums specified in Article 9(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982(e) (relationship between rates of payment of statutory sick pay and employees' normal weekly earnings) shall be increased in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In Article 9(1)(a), for the sums of £49.20 and £79.50 there shall be substituted the sums of  $\pounds 52.10$  and  $\pounds 84.00$  respectively.

(3) In Article 9(1)(b), for the sum of £34.25 there shall be substituted the sum of £36.25.

<sup>(</sup>a) 1975 c. 17; section 2(6)(c) was amended by Article 5 of S.R. 1987 No. 458
(b) 1966 c. 6 (N.I.); section 35 was repealed by the Social Security Act 1973 (c. 38) but subsection (1) is now continued in force by regulation 2 of S.R. 1978 No. 105 in the modified form set out in Schedule 1 to those regulations as amended by Article 6 of S.R. 1987 No. 458

<sup>(</sup>c) S.R. 1978 No. 105
(d) S.R. 1976 No. 223; the relevant amending rules are S.R. 1977 No. 248, S.R. 1980 No. 37 and S.R. 1987 No. 458

<sup>(</sup>e) S.I. 1982/1084 (N.I. 16); Article 9(1) was substituted by regulation 2 of S.R. 1987 No. 23; the relevant amending rule is S.R. 1987 No. 458

### Statutory maternity pay

10. In regulation 6 of the Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(a) (lower rate of statutory maternity pay), for the sum of £34.25 there shall be substituted the sum of £36.25.

### Earnings limits

**11.**—(1) The sum specified in subsection (1) of section 30 (amount of weekly earnings which must be exceeded before the weekly rate of a Category A or Category B retirement pension is reduced by reference to those earnings) is  $\pounds75(\mathbf{b})$  and the sums specified—

- (a) in paragraph (a) of that subsection are £4, 5 pence and 10 pence respectively, and
- (b) in paragraph (b) of that subsection are £4, 5 pence, 10 pence, £4, 5 pence and 5 pence respectively.

(2) The sums specified in section 41(2B)(c) (earnings limits for child dependency increases) shall be increased from £90, £11 and £90 to £95, £12 and £95 respectively.

### Statutory sick pay transitional provision

12. Where in relation to statutory sick pay a period of entitlement as between an employer and an employee is running at 6th April 1989 and the employee's normal weekly earnings under the contract of service with that employer are not less than, or treated for the purpose of Article 9(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order  $1982(\mathbf{d})$  as not less than £79.50, they shall be treated as not less than  $\pounds 84.00$  for the remainder of that period.

### PART III

### FAMILY CREDIT, INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

#### Family credit

13. In the Family Credit Regulations—

- (a) in regulation 46(4) (determination of appropriate maximum family credit), the sum prescribed is £3,000;
- (b) in regulation 47 (applicable amount of family credit), for the sum of £51.45 there shall be substituted the sum of £54.80; and
- (c) in paragraph 19 of Schedule 2 (sums to be disregarded in calculating income other than earnings), in sub-paragraph (b), for the sum of £6.70 there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 7.00$ .

<sup>(</sup>a) S.R. 1987 No. 30; the relevant amending rule is S.R. 1987 No. 458

<sup>(</sup>b) See Article 10 of S.R. 1987 No. 458

<sup>(</sup>c) Section 41(2B) was inserted by paragraph 2(c) of Schedule 3 to the Health and Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1984 and amended by S.R. 1987 No. 458 (d) Article 9(1) was substituted by S.R. 1987 No. 23 and amended by S.R. 1987 No. 458

### Sums prescribed for the purpose of family credit

14. The sums prescribed in Schedule 4 to the Family Credit Regulations (determination of maximum family credit) shall be increased as from 11th April 1989; and Schedule 4 shall accordingly have effect as set out in Schedule 2 to this order.

### Applicable amounts for income support

15.—(1) As from 10th April 1989 the sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Income Support Regulations shall be the sums set out in the following provisions of this Article and the Schedules thereto; and for this purpose references in this Article to a numbered regulation or Schedule are, unless the context otherwise requires, references to the regulations of, or Schedules to, the Income Support Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulations 17(1)(b), 18(1)(c), 21(1) and 71(1)(a)(ii), (b)(ii) and (iii), (c)(ii) and (d)(i)(a), and in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2, paragraph 1(2) of Part I of Schedule 4 and paragraph 1(2) of Part I of Schedule 5, the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in Part I of Schedule 2(b) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be increased; and accordingly that Part of Schedule 2 shall have effect as set out in Schedule 3 to this order.

(4) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2(c) (family premium), for the sum of  $\pounds 6.15$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 6.50$ .

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 2(d) (weekly amounts of premiums) shall be increased; and accordingly that Part of Schedule 2 shall have effect as set out in Schedule 4 to this order.

(6) In paragraph 11(1) of Schedule 3 (housing costs: non-dependant deductions), for the sums of  $\pounds 8.20$  and  $\pounds 3.45$  there shall be substituted the sums of £9.15 and £3.85 respectively.

(7) In paragraph 11(2) of Schedule 3, for the sum of  $\pounds 49.20$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 52 \cdot 10$ .

(8) In any provision of Schedule 4(e) (applicable amounts of persons in homes for persons in need and nursing homes) shown in column (1) of Part I of Schedule 5 to this order, for the sum shown against that provision in column (2) there shall be substituted the increased sum shown against it in column (3).

(9) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (8) of this Article, the sums specified in Schedule 4 are those set out in Part II of Schedule 5 to this order.

<sup>(</sup>a) Paragraph (d) was inserted by S.R. 1988 No. 146 and amended by S.R. 1988 No. 318

<sup>(</sup>a) Part I of Schedule 2 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 274 and 318
(c) Part II of Schedule 2 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 318
(d) Part IV of Schedule 2 was amended by S.R. 1988 No. 146
(e) Schedule 4 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 146, 318 and 431

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(10) In any provision of Part I of Schedule 5(a) (applicable amounts of persons in hostels) shown in column (1) of Part I of Schedule 6 to this order, for the sum shown against that provision in column (2) there shall be substituted the increased sum shown against it in column (3).

(11) Except as provided in paragraph (10) of this Article, the sums specified in Part I of Schedule 5 are those set out in Part II of Schedule 6 to this order.

(12) In any provision of Schedule 7(b) (applicable amounts in special cases) shown in column (1) of Part I of Schedule 7 to this order, for the sum shown against that provision in column (2) there shall be substituted the increased sum shown against it in column (3).

(13) Except as provided in paragraph (12), the sums specified in Schedule 7 are those set out in Part II of Schedule 7 to this order.

(14) The sums specified in any provision of the Income Support Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 8 to this order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

(15) In paragraph 19 of Schedule 9(c) (sums to be disregarded in calculating income other than earnings), in sub-paragraph (b), for the sum of  $\pounds 6.70$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 7.00$ .

## Income support transitional protection

16. Sums which are special transitional additions to income support payable in accordance with regulation 15 of the Income Support (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(d) shall be increased by 4.7 per cent. of their amount apart from this order.

### The relevant sum for income support

17. In Article 24(5)(b) of the Order(e) (trade disputes: the relevant sum) the substituted sum is £18.50.

### Applicable amounts for housing benefit (housing costs)

**18.**—(1) As from a date determined in accordance with Article 1 of this order, the sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount and specified in the Housing Benefit Regulations shall be the sums set out in the following provisions of this Article and Schedules 9 and 10 to this order and for this purpose references in this Article to a numbered regulation or Schedule are, unless the context otherwise requires, references to the regulations of, and Schedules to, the Housing Benefit Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulations 16(b), 17(c) and in paragraph 14(a) of Part III of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts) the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

<sup>(</sup>a) Part I of Schedule 5 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 146, 274 and 318
(b) Schedule 7 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 146, 318 and 431
(c) Paragraph 19 of Schedule 9 was amended by S.R. 1988 No. 318
(d) S.R. 1987 No. 460; regulation 15 was amended by S.R. 1988 Nos. 132 and 153

<sup>(</sup>e) Stated in accordance with Article 24(7) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

(3) In regulation 18(1) (patients), for the sum of  $\pounds 8.25$  in each place in which it occurs, there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 8.70$ , and for the sum of  $\pounds 16.50$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 17.40$ .

(4) In regulation 63(1) (non-dependant deductions), for the sums of  $\pounds 8.20$ ,  $\pounds 3.00$ ,  $\pounds 3.45$  and  $\pounds 3.00$  there shall be substituted the sums of  $\pounds 9.15$ ,  $\pounds 3.35$ ,  $\pounds 3.85$  and  $\pounds 3.35$  respectively.

(5) In regulation 63(2), for the sum of  $\pounds 49 \cdot 20$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 52 \cdot 10$ .

(6) In paragraph 5(2) of Part II of Schedule 1, for the sums of £6.70,  $\pm 0.80$ ,  $\pm 0.50$  and  $\pm 0.80$  there shall be substituted the sums of  $\pm 7.00$ ,  $\pm 0.85$ ,  $\pm 0.55$  and  $\pm 0.85$  respectively.

(7) The sums specified in Part I of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be increased; and accordingly that Part of Schedule 2 shall have effect as set out in Schedule 9 to this order.

(8) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2, for the sum of  $\pounds 6.15$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 6.50$ .

(9) In Part IV of Schedule 2 (applicable amounts: premiums) the sum specified in paragraph 15(1) is £8.60 and the sums specified in paragraphs 15(2) to (6) shall be increased; and accordingly that Part of Schedule 2 shall have effect as set out in Schedule 10 to this order.

(10) In paragraph 22 of Schedule 4 (sums to be disregarded in calculation of income other than earnings), in sub-paragraph (b), for the sum of  $\pounds 6.70$  there shall be substituted the sum of  $\pounds 7.00$ .

### Transitional

19. Nothing in this order shall affect the rate at which family credit is payable under any award running at 11th April 1989.

### **Revocations**

20. The Social Security Benefits Up-rating (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987(a) and Articles 2 to 10 of, and the Schedule to, the Social Security Benefits Up-rating (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987(b) are hereby revoked in relation to any particular case as from the date on which the rates or amounts of benefit specified in relation to any benefit mentioned in Part II of this order takes effect in relation to that case.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 20th January 1989.

(L.S.)

A. N. Burns

Assistant Secretary

<sup>(</sup>a) S.R. 1987 No. 111

<sup>(</sup>b) S.R. 1987 No. 458

# Social Security SCHEDULE 1

53 Article 3(2)

# SCHEDULE 4 TO THE ACT AS AMENDED BY THIS ORDER

## SCHEDULE 4

# RATES OF BENEFITS, GRANTS AND INCREASES FOR DEPENDANTS

### Part I

# **Contributory Periodical Benefits**

Description of benefit	Weekly rate	
1: Unemployment or sickness benefit (section 14).	<ul> <li>(a) unemployment benefit £34.70</li> <li>(b) sickness benefit £33.20</li> </ul>	
3. Invalidity allowance (section 16).	(a) higher rate £ 9.20 (b) middle rate £ 5.80 (c) lower rate £ 2.90	
	(the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with section $16(2)(\mathbf{a})$ ).	
4. Maternity allowance (section 22).	£33·20	
9. Category B retirement pension where section $29(7)(a)(i)$ applies.	£26·20	
10. Child's special allowance (section 31).	£ 8.95	

# Part IA(b)

### Widow's payment

Widow's payment (section 24) £1,000.00

 <sup>(</sup>a) Section 16(2) was amended by paragraph 10(a) of Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979

<sup>(</sup>b) Part IA of Schedule 4 was inserted by Article 37(2) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

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# Part III

	Description of benefit	Weekly rate
1.	Attendance allowance (section 35).	(a) higher rate £ $34.90$ (b) lower rate £ $23.30$ (the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with section $35(3)(a)$ ).
2.	Severe disablement allowance (section 36).	£26·20
3.	Invalid care allowance (section 37).	£26·20
3A.	Mobility allowance (section 37A).	£24·40
4.	Guardian's allowance (section 38).	£ 8.95
5.	Category C retirement pension (section 39).	(a) lower rate $\dots$ £15.65 (b) higher rate $\dots$ £26.20
		(the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with section $39(2)(\mathbf{b})$ ).
5A.	Category D retirement pension (section 39).	The higher rate for Category C retirement pensions under paragraph 5 above.
6.	Age addition (to a pension of any category, and otherwise under section 40).	£ 0.25

# **Non-contributory Periodical Benefits**

(a) Section 35(3) was amended by Article 3(4) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979
(b) Section 39(2) was amended by Article 14(1)(a) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

# Part IV

Increases 1	for	Dependants
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Benefit to which increase applies (1)	Increase for qualifying child (2)	Increase for adult dependant (3)
<ol> <li>Unemployment or sickness benefit—         <ul> <li>(a) unemployment benefit, where the</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	£	£
beneficiary is under pensionable age		21.40
(b) unemployment benefit, where the beneficiary is over pensionable age	8.95	26.20
(c) sickness benefit, where the beneficiary is under pensionable age	_	20.55
(d) sickness benefit, where the beneficiary is over pensionable age	8.95	25.10
2. Invalidity pension	8.95	26.20
3. Maternity allowance		20.55
5. Widowed mother's allowance	8.95	
6. Category A or B retirement pension	8.95	26.20
7. Category C retirement pension	8.95	15.65
8. Child's special allowance	8.95	
9. Severe disablement allowance	8.95	15.65
10. Invalid care allowance	8.95	15.65

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Part V

#### Description of benefit, etc. Rate or amount 2. Maximum disablement £4,730.00 gratuity under section 57(5). 3. Disablement pension under section For the several degrees of disablement 57(6) (weekly rates). set out in column (1) of the following Table, the respective amounts in that Table, using----(a) $\operatorname{column}(2)$ for any period during which the beneficiary is over the age of 18 or is entitled to an increase of benefit in respect of a child or adult dependant; (b) $\operatorname{column}(3)$ for any period during which the beneficiary is not over the age of 18 and not so entitled: TABLE Degree of Disablement Amount (1)(2)(3) Per cent. £ £ 100 43.60 71.2090 64.0839.2480 56.96 34.88 49.84 30.5270 26.16 60 42.7221.8050 35.60 40 28.4817.4430 21.36 13.08 20 14.248.72 4. Unemployability supplement under £43.60 section 58 (increase of weekly rate of disablement pension). 5. Increase under section 59 of weekly if on the qualifying date the (a) beneficiary was under the age of rate of unemployability supplement 35, or if that date fell before 5th (early onset of incapacity for work). July 1948 ..... £ 9.20 (aa) if head (a) above does not apply and on the qualifying date the beneficiary was under the age of 40 and he had not attained pensionable age before 6th April Î979 .....£ 9∙20 if heads (a) and (aa) above do (b)not apply and on the qualifying date the beneficiary was under the age of 45 $\dots$ £ 5.80

# **Rate or Amount of Industrial Injuries Benefit**

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	Description of benefit, etc.	Rate or amount
. 7.	Maximum increase under section 61	<ul> <li>(bb) if heads (a), (aa) and (b) above do not apply and on the qualifying date the beneficiary was under the age of 50 and had not attained pensionable age before 6th April 1979 £ 5.80</li> <li>(c) in any other case £ 2.90</li> <li>(a) except in cases of exceptionally</li> </ul>
,.	of weekly rate of disablement pension where constant attendance needed.	(a) $b$ severe disablement £28.50 (b) in any case £57.00
8.	Increase under section 63 of weekly rate of disablement pension (exceptionally severe disablement).	£28·50
10.	Increase under section 64 of weekly rate of disablement pension (dependent children).	£ 8·95
12.	Increase under section 66(2) of weekly rate of disablement pension (adult dependant).	£26·20
13.	Widow's pension under section 68 (weekly rates)—	
	(a) initial rate	£57·65
	(b) higher permanent rate	£43.60
	(c) lower permanent rate	30 per cent. of the sum specified in Article $8(1)(a)$ of the Pensions Order.
14.	Widower's pension under section 69 (weekly rate).	£43·60
15.	Weekly rate of allowance under section 70 in respect of children.	In respect of each qualifying child £ 8.95
16.	Maximum under section 91(1) of aggregate of weekly benefit payable for successive accidents.	(a) for any period during which the beneficiary is over the age of 18 or is entitled to an increase of benefit in respect of a child or adult dependant £71.20
		(b) for any period during which the beneficiary is not over the age of 18 and not so entitled £43.60

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# Social Security SCHEDULE 2

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# Article 14

# SCHEDULE 4 TO THE FAMILY CREDIT REGULATIONS AS AMENDED BY THIS ORDER

### **SCHEDULE 4**

DETERMINATION OF MAXIMUM FAMILY CREDIT: ADULT, CHILD AND YOUNG PERSON CREDITS

Adult, child, young person (1)	Amount of credit (2)	
1. Adult.	£33·60.	
2. Child—		
(a) aged less than 11 years;	(a) £ 7·30;	
(b) aged not less than 11 but less than 16 years.	(b) £12·90.	
3. Young person—		
(a) aged not less than 16 but less than 18 years;	(a) £16·35;	
(b) aged not less than 18 but less than 19 years.	(b) £23·30.	

### SCHEDULE 3

Article 15(3)

Part I of Schedule 2 to the Income Support Regulations as amended by this order

### **SCHEDULE 2**

### **Applicable Amounts**

### Part I

### PERSONAL ALLOWANCES

1. The weekly amounts specified in column (2) in respect of each person or couple specified in column (1) shall be the weekly amounts specified for the purposes of regulations 17(1)(a) and 18(1)(a) and (b) (applicable amounts and polygamous marriages).

Column (1)	Column (2)
Person or Couple	Amount
(1) Single claimant aged —	· · ·
(a) less than 18;	(1) (a) $\pounds 20.80;$
(b) not less than 18 but less than 25; $(b)$	(b) £27·40;
(c) not less than $25$ .	(c) $\pm 34.90$ .
(2) Lone parent aged—	
(a) less than 18;	(2) (a) $\pm 20.80;$
(b) not less than 18.	(b) $\pm 34.90.$
(3) Couple—	i, i
(a) where both members are persons aged less than 18 and—	(3) (a) $\pounds 41.60;$
(i) at least one of them is treated as responsible for a child;	
(ii) had they not been members of a	
couple, each would be eligible for income support under	
regulation 13Å (persons under 18 years);	
(iii) they are married and each	
member is either a registered	
person or a person to whom Part I of Schedule 1A applies;	
(iv) there is a direction under	
Article 21(4A) of the Order	
(income support to avoid severe hardship) in respect of	
each member; or	
(v) there is a direction under	
Article 21(4A) of the Order in	
respect of one of them and the other is eligible for income	
support under regulation 13A;	
(b) where both members are aged less	(b) £20·80;
than 18 and sub-paragraph $(3)(a)$	
does not apply but one member of the couple—	
(i) is eligible for income support	
under regulation 13A; or	
(ii) is the subject of a direction	
under Article 21(4A) of the Order;	
(c) where both members are aged not	(c) $\pounds 54.80;$
less than 18;	
(d) where one member is aged not less	(d) $\pounds 54.80;$
than 18 and the other member is a	

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Column (1)	Column (2)	
Person or Couple	Amount	
<ul> <li>(i) is eligible for income support under regulation 13A; or</li> <li>(ii) is the subject of a direction under Article 21(4A) of the Order;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>(e) where one member is aged not less than 18 but less than 25 and the other member is a person under 18 who—</li> <li>(i) is not eligible for income support under regulation 13A; or</li> </ul>	(e) £27·40;	
<ul> <li>(ii) is not the subject of a direction under Article 21(4A) of the Order;</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>(f) where one member is aged not less than 25 and the other member is a person under 18 who—</li> <li>(i) is not eligible for income support under regulation 13A; and</li> </ul>	(f) £34·90.	
<ul> <li>(ii) is not the subject of a direction under Article 21(4A) of the Order(a).</li> </ul>		

2. The weekly amounts specified in column (2) in respect of each person specified in column (1) shall be the weekly amounts specified for the purposes of regulations 17(1)(b) and 18(1)(c).

Column (1)	Column (2) Amount	
Child or young person		
Person aged—		
(a) Less than 11;	(a) £11·75;	
(b) not less than 11 but less than 16;	(b) $\pm 17.35;$	
(c) not less than 16 but less than 18;	(c) $\pm 20.80;$	
(d) not less than 18.	(d) $\pm 27.40$ .	

(a) Sub-paragraph 1(3) was substituted by regulation 9 of S.R. 1988 No. 274

# Social Security SCHEDULE 4

Article 15(5)

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# PART IV OF SCHEDULE 2 TO THE INCOME SUPPORT REGULATIONS AS AMENDED BY THIS ORDER

# PART IV

# Weekly Amounts of Premiums specified in Part III

Premium	Amount
15.—(1) Lone Parent Premium.	(1) £ 3.90.
(2) Pensioner Premium-	
(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 9(a);	(2) (a) $\pounds 11.20;$
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 9(b).	(b) £17·05.
(3) Higher Pensioner Premium—	
<ul> <li>(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 10(1)(a) or</li> <li>(b);</li> </ul>	(3) (a) £13·70;
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 10(2)(a) or (b).	(b) $\pm 19.50$ .
(4) Disability Premium—	
(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 11(a);	(4) (a) $\pounds 13.70;$
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph $11(b)$ .	(b) £19·50.
(5) Severe Disability Premium—	
(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 13(2)(a);	(5) (a) $\pounds 26.20$ .
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 13(2)(b)—	
<ul> <li>(i) if there is someone in receipt of an invalid care allowance or if he or any partner satisfies that condition only by virtue of paragraph 13(3A)(a);</li> </ul>	(b) (i) £26·20;
(ii) if no one is in receipt of such an allowance.	(ii) £52·40.
(6) Disabled Child Premium.	(6) £6.50 in respect of each child or young person in respect of whom the condition specified in paragraph 14 is satisfied

# Social Security SCHEDULE 5

# Applicable Amounts of Persons in Homes for Persons in Need and Nursing Homes

# Part I

Sums	specified	in	Schedule 4	to	the	Income	Support	Regulations	which	are
	-				inc	reased		-		

Column (1) Paragraph in Schedule 4	Column (2) Specified Sum	Column (3) Substituted Sum	
	£	£	
b(1)(a), (b), (c)  and  (e)(ii)	130.00 weekly	140.00 weekly	
5(1)(d)	160.00 weekly	165.00 weekly	
5(1)(e)(i)	190.00 weekly	200.00 weekly	
I(a)	185.00 weekly	195.00 weekly	
<i>i</i> ( <i>b</i> )	200.00 weekly	205.00 weekly	
d(c), $(d)(ii)$ and $(f)$	185.00 weekly	190.00 weekly	
V(d)(i) and $(e)$	230.00 weekly	235.00 weekly	
2(a) and $(b)$	9.55 weekly	10.05 weekly	
2(c)	6.20 weekly	7.00 weekly	
2(d)	5.30 weekly	6.05 weekly	
2(e)	3.45 weekly	4.10 weekly	

# Part II

# Other sums specified in Schedule 4 to the Income Support Regulations

Paragraph in Schedule 4	Specified Sum	
2(2)(b)(i) 2(2)(b)(ii) 2(2)(b)(iii) 2(2)(b)(iii) 5(2)	daily £ 1.10 daily £ 1.55 daily £ 1.55 weekly £155.00	

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# Social Security SCHEDULE 6

Article 15(10) and (11)

### APPLICABLE AMOUNTS OF PERSONS IN HOSTELS

### Part I

# Sums specified in Schedule 5 to the Income Support Regulations which are increased

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
Paragraph in	Specified Weekly	Substituted Weekly
Schedule 5	Sum	Sum
$ \begin{array}{c} 11(a) \\ 11(b) \text{ and } (c) \\ 11(d) \\ 11(e) \\ 11(f) \end{array} $	£ 11·50 10·30 6·20 5·30 3·45	$ \begin{array}{c} \pounds \\ 13.25 \\ 11.95 \\ 7.00 \\ 6.05 \\ 4.10 \end{array} $

# Part II

# Other sums specified in Schedule 5 to the Income Support Regulations

Paragraph in Schedule 5	Specif	îied Sum
		£
2( <i>b</i> )(i)	daily	1.10
2(b)(ii) and (iii)	daily	1.55
5(a) and $(b)(a)$	weekly	70.00
7	lower rate	17.50
	higher rate	35.00
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# SCHEDULE 7

No. 18 Article 15(12)

### APPLICABLE AMOUNTS IN SPECIAL CASES

### PART I

# Sums specified in Schedule 7 to the Income Support **Regulations which are increased**

Column (1) Paragraph in Column (2) of Schedule 7	Column (2) Specified Weekly Sum	Column (3) Substituted Weekly Sum
	£	£
1(a), (b), (c)(i)  and (d)(a) 2 and 3	8.25	8.70
1(c)(ii)	16.50	17.40
10A( <b>b</b> )	41.15, 32.90 and 8.25 respectively	43.60, 34.90 and 8.70 respectively
10B(c)	41.15, 32.90 and 8.25 respectively	43.60, 34.90 and 8.70 respectively
10C( <b>d</b> )	41.15, 32.90 and 8.25 respectively	43.60, 34.90 and 8.70 respectively
13(1)( <b>e</b> )	41.15, 32.90 and 8.25 respectively	43.60, 34.90 and 8.70 respectively
13(2)	8.25	8.70
16(b)(f) and (c)	8.25	8.70

### PART II

### Other sums specified in Schedule 7 to the Income Support Regulations

Paragraph in Column (2) of Schedule 7	Specified Sum	
7	Nil.	
8(a)	Nil;	
14	80 per cent.	
15	Nil.	

(a) Paragraph I(d)(ii) was substituted by regulation 19(a) of S.R. 1988 No. 431
(b) Paragraph 10A was inserted by regulation 34(b) of S.R. 1988 No. 146 and substituted by regulation 19(b) of S.R. 1988 No. 431

(c) Paragraph 10B was inserted by regulation 34(b) of S.R. 1988 No. 146
(d) Paragraph 10C was inserted by regulation 19(c) of S.R. 1988 No. 431
(e) Paragraph 13(1) was amended by regulation 22(d) of S.R. 1988 No. 318
(f) Paragraph 16(b) was amended by regulation 34(c) of S.R. 1988 No. 146 and regulation 22(g) of S.R. 1988 No. 318

# Social Security SCHEDULE 8

Other Applicable Amounts Specified in the Income Support Regulations

Provisions in Income Support Regulations	Specified Sum
Regulation 22(1)	Weekly applicable amount to be reduced by a sum equivalent to 40 per cent. of the relevant amount.
Regulation $22(2)(a)$	£200.
Regulation 22(2)	Weekly applicable amount to be reduced by a sum equivalent to 20 per cent. of the relevant amount.
Regulation $71(1)(a)(i)$	90 per cent. of the amount applicable, or as the case may be, of the relevant amount.
Regulation $71(1)(b)(i)$	90 per cent. of the amount so reduced, or as the case may be, of the relevant amount.
Regulation $71(1)(c)(i)$	90 per cent. of the amount in respect of personal expenses.
Regulation 71(1)(c)(iii)	80 per cent. of the applicable amount in special cases.
Regulation $71(1)(d)$	90 per cent. of the applicable amount.
Schedule 3, paragraph $7(1)(a)$ and $(b)(i)$ and $(2)$ (penultimate line)	100 per cent. of the eligible interest.
Schedule 3, paragraph $7(1)(b)(ii)$ , $2(a)(ii)$ and (6)	50 per cent. of the eligible interest.
Schedule 3, paragraph 8(2)	£500.

# Social Security SCHEDULE 9

*No. 18* Article 18(7)

# Part I of Schedule 2 to the Housing Benefit Regulations as Amended by this Order

### SCHEDULE 2

### APPLICABLE AMOUNTS

### Part I

### **Personal Allowances**

1. The amounts specified in column (2) in respect of each person or couple specified in column (1) shall be the amounts specified for the purposes of regulations 16(a) and 17(a) and (b)—

Column (1) Person or Couple	Column (2) Amount
(1) Single claimant aged—	······································
(a) less than $18$ ;	(1) (a) $\pounds 20.80;$
(b) not less than 18 but less than 25;	( <i>b</i> ) £27·40;
(c) not less than $25$ .	(c) $\pm 34.90.$
(2) Lone parent aged—	
(a) less than $18$ ;	(2) (a) $\pm 20.80;$
(b) not less than 18.	(b) £34·90.
(3) Couple—	
(a) where both members are aged less than 18;	(3) (a) $\pounds 41.60;$
(b) where at least one member is aged not less than 18.	(b) £54·80.

2. The amounts specified in column (2) in respect of each person specified in column (1) shall be the amounts specified for the purposes of regulations 16(b) and 17(c)—

Column (1) Child or Young Person	Column (2) Amount	
Person aged—		
(a) less than 11;	(a) £11·75;	
(b) not less than 11 but less than 16;	(b) $\pounds 17.35;$	
(c) not less than 16 but less than 18;	(c) $\pm 20.80;$	
(d) not less than $18$ .	(d) £27.40.	

# Social Security SCHEDULE 10

Article 18(9)

# Part IV of Schedule 2 to the Housing Benefit Regulations as Amended by this Order

# Part IV

Premium	Amount			
15.—(1) Lone Parent Premium.	(1) $\pm 8.60.$			
(2) Pensioner Premium—				
<ul> <li>(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 9(a);</li> </ul>	(2) (a) £11·20;			
<ul><li>(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 9(b).</li></ul>	(b) $\pm 17.05$ .			
(3) Higher Pensioner Premium—				
(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 10(1)(a) or (b);	(3) (a) £13·70;			
<ul> <li>(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 10(2)(a) or (b).</li> </ul>	(b) £19·50.			
(4) Disability Premium—				
(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 11(a);	(4) (a) $\pm 13.70;$			
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph $11(b)$ .	(b) $\pm 19.50$ .			
(5) Severe Disability Premium—				
<ul> <li>(a) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 13(2)(a);</li> </ul>	(5) (a) £26·20;			
(b) where the claimant satisfies the condition in paragraph 13(2)(b)				
(i) in a case where there is someone in receipt of an invalid care allowance,	(b) (i) $\pm 26.20;$			
(ii) in a case where there is no one in receipt of such an allowance.	(ii) £52·40.			
(6) Disabled Child Premium.	(6) £6.50 in respect of each child or young person in respect of whom the condition specified in paragraph 14 is satisfied.			

# Amounts of Premiums specified in Part III

# Social Security EXPLANATORY NOTE

### (This note is not part of the Order.)

This order, which corresponds to an order (S.I. 1989/43) made by the Secretary of State for Social Security under section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986, increases the rates and amounts of certain social security benefits and other sums. The rates of statutory maternity pay and statutory sick pay are also increased.

Part I relates to citation, commencement and interpretation. Part II relates to non means-tested benefits. Article 3 increases the rates of benefits and increases of benefit (except age addition) specified in Parts I, III, IV and V of Schedule 4 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 ("the 1975 Act''). Article 4 increases the rates and amounts of certain benefits under Part III of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 ("the Pensions Order") (including increases of Category A or Category B retirement pension payable by reference to the increases of increments in guaranteed minimum pensions payable by virtue of Article 37(6) of that Order); Article 5 specifies the dates from which the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the 1975 Act or the Pensions Order are altered. Article 6 increases the rate laid down in the Industrial Injuries (Northern Ireland Old Cases) Act 1975 for the maximum weekly rate of lesser incapacity allowance supplementing workmen's compensation. Article 7 increases the rate of graduated retirement benefit under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.

Article 8 specifies the weekly rate of child benefit and provides for the weekly rate of one-parent benefit to be increased. Article 9 increases the weekly rates of statutory sick pay payable as from 6th April 1989. Article 10 increases the lower rate of statutory maternity pay and Article 11 specifies earnings limits for retirement pension and increases the earnings limits for child dependency increases. Article 12 is a transitional provision relating to statutory sick pay.

Part III of the order relates to family credit, income support and housing benefit. Article 13 sets out the component rates of the applicable amount for family credit purposes. Article 14 and Schedule 2 specify the maximum amount payable by way of family credit for an adult, child or young person.

Article 15 states the amount of sums relevant to the applicable amount for the purposes of income support. Article 15(3) and Schedule 3 set out the personal allowances; Article 15(5) and Schedule 4 set out the premiums; Article 15(8) and (9) and Schedule 5 set out the amounts relevant to the beneficiaries in homes for persons in need and nursing homes; Article 15(10) and (11) and Schedule 6 set out the amounts relevant to those beneficiaries residing in hostels; Article 15(12) and Schedule 7 set out the amounts relevant to special cases; and Article 15(14) and Schedule 8 set out other miscellaneous amounts. Article 16 provides for the percentage increase of sums payable by way of special transitional additions to income support. Article 17 states the sum by which any income support of a person involved in a trade dispute is reduced.

#### Social Security

Article 18 states the amount of the sums relevant to the applicable amount for the purposes of housing benefit. Article 18(7) and Schedule 9 set out the personal allowances and Article 18(9) and Schedule 10 set out the premiums. Article 19 is a transitional provision relating to family credit.

Article 20 revokes the Social Security Benefits Up-rating (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987 and Articles 2 to 10 of, and the Schedule to, the Social Security Benefits Up-rating (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1987.

# 1989 No. 19

This Order has been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979. A summary is given in the List of Statutory Rules of a Local Character under the heading PLANNING.