

---

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

---

**2023 No. 27**

**SOCIAL SECURITY  
STATUTORY MATERNITY PAY; STATUTORY  
SICK PAY; EMPLOYMENT; HOUSING; RATES**

The Social Security (2022 Benefits Up-  
rating) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023

*Made* - - - - *8th March 2023*

*Coming into operation* *27th March 2023*

THE SOCIAL SECURITY (2022 BENEFITS UP-  
RATING) ORDER (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2023

PART 1

INTRODUCTION

1. Citation and commencement
2. Interpretation

PART 2

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS AND PENSIONS

3. Rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Contributions and Benefits Act
4. Rates or amounts of certain pensions and allowances under the Contributions and Benefits Act
5. Rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Pension Schemes Act
6. Rates or amounts of certain pensions under Part 1 of the Pensions Act
7. Earnings limits
8. Statutory sick pay
9. Statutory maternity pay
10. Statutory paternity pay, statutory adoption pay and statutory shared parental pay
11. Graduated retirement benefit

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).*

12. Amount of Category C retirement pension under the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979
13. Maximum additional pension
14. Disability living allowance
15. Personal independence payment
16. Age addition to long-term incapacity benefit
17. Transitional invalidity allowance in long-term incapacity benefit cases
18. Bereavement benefits
19. Bereavement support payment

PART 3

INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

20. Applicable amounts for income support
21. Income support transitional protection
22. Relevant sum for income support
23. Housing benefit
24. Housing benefit for certain persons over the qualifying age for state pension credit

PART 4

JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE

25. Age-related amounts of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance
26. Applicable amounts for jobseeker's allowance
27. Prescribed sum for the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996
28. Amounts for the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 2016

PART 5

STATE PENSION CREDIT

29. State pension credit

PART 6

EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE

30. Applicable amounts for the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008
31. Prescribed amount for the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2016

PART 7

UNIVERSAL CREDIT

32. Universal credit

PART 8

REVOCATION

33. Revocation  
Signature

- 
- SCHEDULE1 Provisions of Schedule 4 to the Contributions and Benefits Act as amended by this Order  
PART I — CONTRIBUTORY PERIODICAL BENEFITS  
PART III — NON-CONTRIBUTORY PERIODICAL BENEFITS  
PART IV — INCREASES FOR DEPENDANTS  
PART V — RATE OF INDUSTRIAL INJURIES BENEFIT
- SCHEDULE 2 Part I of Schedule 2 to the Income Support Regulations as amended by this Order  
PART 1 — PERSONAL ALLOWANCES
- SCHEDULE 3 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
- SCHEDULE 4 Part I of Schedule 4 to the Housing Benefit Regulations as amended by this Order  
PART I — PERSONAL ALLOWANCES
- SCHEDULE 5 Part IV of Schedule 4 to the Housing Benefit Regulations as amended by this Order  
PART IV — AMOUNTS OF PREMIUMS SPECIFIED IN PART III
- SCHEDULE 6 Paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 4 to the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations as amended by this Order  
PART I — PERSONAL ALLOWANCES
- SCHEDULE 7 Part IV of Schedule 4 to the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations as amended by this Order  
PART IV — AMOUNTS OF PREMIUMS SPECIFIED IN PART III
- SCHEDULE 8 Part I of Schedule 1 to the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996 as amended by this Order  
PART I — PERSONAL ALLOWANCES
- SCHEDULE 9 Part IV of Schedule 1 to the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996 as amended by this Order  
PART IV — WEEKLY AMOUNTS OF PREMIUMS SPECIFIED IN PART III
- SCHEDULE 10 Part IVB of Schedule 1 to the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996 as amended by this Order  
PART IVB — WEEKLY AMOUNTS OF PREMIUMS SPECIFIED IN PART IVA
- SCHEDULE 11 Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008 as amended by this Order  
PART 1 — PRESCRIBED AMOUNTS  
PART 1 — PRESCRIBED AMOUNTS
- SCHEDULE 12 Part 3 of Schedule 4 to the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008 as amended by this Order  
PART 3 — WEEKLY AMOUNT OF PREMIUMS SPECIFIED IN PART 2
- SCHEDULE 13 Amounts of certain elements specified in the table in regulation 38 of the Universal Credit Regulations as amended by this Order  
Explanatory Note