



# Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

## 1992 CHAPTER 7

### PART XIII

#### GENERAL

##### *Interpretation*

#### **168 Application of Act in relation to territorial waters.**

In this Act—

- (a) any reference to Northern Ireland includes a reference to the territorial waters of the United Kingdom adjacent to Northern Ireland;
- (b) any reference to the United Kingdom includes a reference to the territorial waters of the United Kingdom.

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 168 applied (2.12.2002 for certain purposes, 6.10.2003 in so far as not already in force) by [State Pension Credit Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2002 \(c. 14 \(N.I.\)\)](#), [ss. 17\(3\)\(a\), 21\(2\)](#); [S.R. 2002/366](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(o\)](#); [S.R. 2003/373](#), [art. 2](#)

#### **169 Age.**

For the purposes of this Act a person—

- (a) is over or under a particular age if he has or, as the case may be, has not attained that age; and
- (b) is between two particular ages if he has attained the first but not the second.

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#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C2** S. 169 applied (2.12.2002 for certain purposes, 6.10.2003 in so far as not already in force) by [State Pension Credit Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2002 \(c. 14 \(N.I.\)\)](#), **ss. 17(3)(b), 21(2)**; S.R. 2002/366, **art. 2(1)(o)**; S.R. 2003/373, **art. 2**

## 170 Interpretation.

In this Act—

“the 1975 Act” means the <sup>M1</sup>Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975;

“the 1986 Order” means the <sup>M2</sup>Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986;

“the Administration Act” means the <sup>M3</sup>Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992;

“the Consequential Provisions Act” means the <sup>M4</sup>Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Act 1992;

“the Department” means [<sup>F1</sup>(except in Parts XIIZA [<sup>F2</sup>, 12ZB [<sup>F3</sup>, 12ZC and 12ZD]] above)] the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland;

“the Department of Economic Development” means the Department of Economic Development in Northern Ireland;

“the Department of the Environment” means the Department of the Environment for Northern Ireland;

“the Department of Finance and Personnel” means the Department of Finance and Personnel in Northern Ireland;

[<sup>F4</sup>the Employment Rights Order” means the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;]

“the Great Britain Administration Act” means the <sup>M5</sup>Social Security Administration Act 1992;

“the Great Britain Contributions and Benefits Act” means the <sup>M6</sup>Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992;

“the National Insurance Fund” means the Northern Ireland National Insurance Fund;

“the Old Cases Act” means the <sup>M7</sup>Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Northern Ireland Old Cases) Act 1975;

[<sup>F5</sup>“the Pensions Act” means the Pension Schemes (Northern Ireland) Act 1993;]

“the Pensions Order” means the <sup>M8</sup>Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975;

“statutory provision” has the meaning assigned by section 1(f) of the <sup>M9</sup>Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 170 in definition of “the Department” inserted (8.12.2002) by [The Employment \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2002 \(S.I. 2002/2836 \(N.I. 2\)\)](#), arts. 1(2), 17(1), **Sch. 2 para. 1(2)**; S.R. 2002/356, **art. 2(2)**, Sch. 1 Pt. II
- F2** Words in s. 170 substituted (5.4.2015) by [Work and Families Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 1\)](#), s. 23(1), **Sch. 1 para. 2(18)(a)**; S.R. 2015/86, art. 4(2)(b) (with art. 7(2))

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- F3** Words in s. 170 substituted (23.3.2022) by Parental Bereavement (Leave and Pay) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (c. 5), ss. 4, 5(5)(6), **Sch. para. 7**; S.R. 2022/136, arts. 2, 3
- F4** Words in s. 170 inserted (5.4.2015) by Work and Families Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 1), s. 23(1), **Sch. 1 para. 2(18)(b)**; S.R. 2015/86, art. 4(2)(b) (with art. 7(2))
- F5** S. 170: by 1993 c. 49, s. 184, **Sch. 7 para. 35** (commenced on 7.2.1994 by S.R. 1994/17, **art. 2**) it is provided that the definition of "the Pensions Act" [as reproduced here] shall be inserted before the definition of "the Pensions Order" in s. 174 of this Act. By S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), arts. 165, 168, Sch. 4, para. 15, **Sch. 5, Pt.IV** (commenced on 19.12.1995 by S.R. 1995/477, art. 2(a), **Sch. Pt. I**), Sch. 7 para. 35 of the 1993 Act is repealed and by art. 165, Sch. 4, para. 2 of that 1995 S.I. (also commenced on 19.12.1995 by S.R. 1995/477, art. 2(a), **Sch. Pt. I**) the same definition of "the Pensions Act" is inserted in s. 170 of this Act

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#### Marginal Citations

- M1** 1975 c.15.  
**M2** S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18).  
**M3** 1992 c. 8.  
**M4** 1992 c. 9.  
**M5** 1992 c. 5.  
**M6** 1992 c. 4.  
**M7** 1975 c. 17.  
**M8** S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15).  
**M9** 1954 c. 33 (N.I.).

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