



Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

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PART X

CHRISTMAS BONUS FOR PENSIONERS

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- (1) Any person who in any year—
- (a) is present or ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom or any other member State at any time during the relevant week; and
 - (b) is entitled to a payment of a qualifying benefit in respect of a period which includes a day in that week or is to be treated as entitled to a payment of a qualifying benefit in respect of such a period,
- shall, subject to the following provisions of this Part of this Act and to section 1 of the Administration Act, be entitled to payment under this subsection in respect of that year.
- (2) Subject to the following provisions of this Part of this Act, any person who is a member of a couple and is entitled to a payment under subsection (1) above in respect of a year shall also be entitled to payment under this subsection in respect of that year if—
- (a) both members have attained pensionable age not later than the end of the relevant week; and
 - (b) the other member satisfies the condition mentioned in subsection (1)(a) above; and
 - (c) either—
 - (i) he is entitled or treated as entitled, in respect of the other member, to an increase in the payment of the qualifying benefit; or
 - (ii) the only qualifying benefit to which he is entitled is income support.
- (3) A payment under subsection (1) or (2) above—
- (a) is to be made by the Department; and

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- (b) is to be of £10 or such larger sum as the Department may by order specify.
- (4) Where the only qualifying benefit to which a person is entitled is income support, he shall not be entitled to a payment under subsection (1) above unless he has attained pensionable age not later than the end of the relevant week.
- (5) Only one sum shall be payable in respect of any person.