



Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

1992 CHAPTER 8

PART II

ADJUDICATION

Adjudication in relation to industrial injuries and disablement benefit

42 Declaration that accident is an industrial accident

- (1) Where, in connection with any claim for industrial injuries benefit, it is determined that the relevant accident was or was not an industrial accident, an express declaration of that fact shall be made and recorded and (subject to subsection (3) below) a claimant shall be entitled to have the question whether the relevant accident was an industrial accident determined notwithstanding that his claim is disallowed on other grounds.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) below and to section 58 below, any person suffering personal injury by accident shall be entitled, if he claims the accident was an industrial accident, to have that question determined, and a declaration made and recorded accordingly, notwithstanding that no claim for benefit has been made in connection with which the question arises; and this Part of this Act applies for that purpose as if the question had arisen in connection with a claim for benefit.
- (3) The adjudication officer, social security appeal tribunal or Commissioner (as the case may be) may refuse to determine the question whether an accident was an industrial accident if satisfied that it is unlikely to be necessary to determine the question for the purposes of any claim for benefit; but any such refusal of an adjudication officer or social security appeal tribunal shall be subject to appeal to a social security appeal tribunal or Commissioner, as the case may be.
- (4) Subject to the provisions of this Part of this Act as to appeal and review, any declaration under this section that an accident was or was not an industrial accident shall be

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conclusive for the purposes of any claim for industrial injuries benefit in respect of that accident.

- (5) Where subsection (4) above applies—
- (a) in relation to a death occurring before 11th April 1988; or
 - (b) for the purposes of section 60(2) of the Contributions and Benefits Act,
- it shall have effect as if at the end there were added the words “whether or not the claimant is the person at whose instance the declaration was made”.
- (6) For the purposes of this section (but subject to section 58(3) below), an accident whereby a person suffers personal injury shall be deemed, in relation to him, to be an industrial accident if—
- (a) it arises out of and in the course of his employment;
 - (b) that employment is employed earner’s employment for the purposes of Part V of the Contributions and Benefits Act;
 - (c) payment of benefit is not under section 94(5) of that Act precluded because the accident happened while he was outside Northern Ireland.
- (7) A decision under this section shall be final except that sections 23 to 27 above apply to a decision under this section that an accident was or was not an industrial accident as they apply to a decision under sections 19 to 21 above if, but only if, the adjudication officer or social security appeal tribunal, as the case may be, is satisfied that the decision under this section was given in consequence of any wilful non-disclosure or misrepresentation of a material fact.