
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 688

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Jobseeker's Allowance (Mandatory
Work Activity Scheme) Regulations 2011**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>9th March 2011</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>14th March 2011</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>25th April 2011</i>

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 123(1)(d) and (e), 136(3) and (5)(a) and (b), 137(1) and 175(3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(1), sections 30 and 146(1) and (2) of the [Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996](#)(2), sections 9 and 10 of the Social Security Act 1998(3) and sections 12(1), (4)(a) and (b), 17A(1), (2), (5)(a), (d) and (e) and (6) to (9), 20, 20A, 20B(4) to (6), 20E(3)(a), 21, 35(1) and 36(2) and (4) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Jobseekers Act 1995(4).

These Regulations are made with the consent of the Treasury in respect of provisions relating to section 30 (means testing in case of application by owner-occupier or tenant) of the [Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996](#)(5).

In respect of provisions in these Regulations relating to housing benefit and council tax benefit, organisations appearing to the Secretary of State to be representative of the authorities concerned have agreed that consultations need not be undertaken(6).

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- (1) [1992 c. 4](#). Section 123(1) was amended by section 103 of, and Schedule 9 to, the Local Government Finance Act [1992 \(c. 14\)](#), by section 60 of, and Schedule 6 to, the Tax Credits Act [2002 \(c. 21\)](#); section 137(1) is an interpretation provision and is cited because of the meaning given to the word “prescribed”; section 175(1) and (4) were amended by section 2 of, and paragraph 29(1) and (2) of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) Act [1999 \(c. 2\)](#).
- (2) [1996 c. 53](#) (“the 1996 Act”). Section 30 was amended by [S.I. 2002/1860](#) and by section 81 of, and Schedule 8 to, the Civil Partnership Act [2004 \(c. 33\)](#); the functions of the Secretary of State and the Treasury, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales, by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, [SI 1999/672](#), art 2, Schedule 1; section 146 was amended by the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act [2009 \(c. 20\)](#) on a day to be appointed and the functions of the Secretary of State, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, transferred to the National Assembly for Wales, by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, [SI 1999/672](#), art 2, Schedule 1.
- (3) [1998 c. 14](#).
- (4) [1995 c. 18](#). Section 17A was inserted by section 1 of the Welfare Reform Act [2009 \(c. 24\)](#); section 20B was inserted by section 59 and Schedule 7 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act [1999 \(c. 30\)](#); sections 35(1) and 36(4) were amended by section 2 of, and paragraphs 62 and 63 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) Act [1999 \(c. 2\)](#). Section 35(1) is an interpretation provision and is cited because of the meaning it gives to the words “prescribed” and “regulations”.
- (5) See section 30(9) of the 1996 Act.
- (6) See section 176(2) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992.

In accordance with section 172(1) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(7), the Secretary of State referred the proposals for these Regulations to the Social Security Advisory Committee.