
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1647

**The Social Security (Housing Costs
Amendments) Regulations 2015**

Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008

4.—(1) The Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008(1) are amended as follows, subject to regulation 8 (saving provision).

(2) In Schedule 6 (housing costs)(2)—

- (a) in paragraph 1(2) (housing costs), omit the definition of “existing housing costs” and “new housing costs”;
- (b) omit paragraph 8 (existing housing costs);
- (c) in paragraph 9 (new housing costs)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraphs (1) and (2), omit “new”;
 - (ii) omit sub-paragraphs (4) to (7); and
 - (iii) for the heading, substitute “Housing costs”;
- (d) in paragraph 10 (general exclusions from paragraphs 8 and 9)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (1), for “Paragraphs 8 and 9” substitute “Paragraph 9”; and
 - (ii) in the heading, for “paragraphs 8 and 9” substitute “paragraph 9”;
- (e) in paragraph 11 (the calculation for loans), for “existing housing costs or, as the case may be, new housing costs” substitute “housing costs”;
- (f) in paragraph 12 (general provisions applying to new and existing housing costs)—
 - (i) omit sub-paragraphs (1) and (2); and
 - (ii) in the heading, omit “new and existing”;
- (g) in paragraph 14(9) (excessive housing costs), for “paragraphs 8 and 9” substitute “paragraph 9”;
- (h) in paragraph 15 (linking rule)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (6)(a), omit “8(1) or”;
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (14), omit paragraph (a); and
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (18), omit “8(1)(a), 8(1)(b) or”; and
- (i) in paragraph 20 (continuity with income support, an income-based jobseeker’s allowance or state pension credit), omit sub-paragraph (1)(a).

(1) [S.I. 2008/794](#).

(2) Schedule 6 was modified by [S.I. 2008/3195](#). [S.I. 2008/3195](#) was revoked by regulation 7(1) of these Regulations, subject to regulation 7(2) and regulation 8 (savings).