
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 260

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2017

PART 1

INTRODUCTION

Citation, commencement and effect

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2017.
- (2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), this Order shall come into force for the purposes of—
- (a) this article and articles 2 and 7, on 1st April 2017;
 - (b) article 3—
 - (i) in so far as it relates to any increase to which article 7(9)(b) applies, on 1st April 2017, and
 - (ii) for all other purposes, on 10th April 2017;
 - (c) articles 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 19, on 10th April 2017;
 - (d) article 8, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 1st April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in regulation 2(1) of the Computation of Earnings Regulations;
 - (e) article 9, on 6th April 2017;
 - (f) article 10, on 2nd April 2017, except for the purpose of determining the rate of maternity allowance in accordance with section 35A(1)(1) of the Contributions and Benefits Act (appropriate weekly rate of maternity allowance under section 35), for which purpose it shall come into force on 10th April 2017;
 - (g) article 11, on 2nd April 2017;
 - (h) articles 17 and 18, on 6th April 2017;
 - (i) articles 20 and 21, in so far as they relate to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Income Support Regulations;
 - (j) articles 22 and 23, in relation to a case where rent is payable at intervals of a week or any multiple thereof, on 3rd April 2017, and in relation to any other case, on 1st April 2017;
 - (k) article 24, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations;

(1) Section 35A was inserted by section 53 of the 1999 Act. Subsection (1) was substituted by section 48 of the Employment Act 2002 (c. 22). The rate of maternity allowance is linked to the prescribed rate of statutory maternity pay set out in regulation 6 of S.I. 1986/1960.

- (l) article 25, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the State Pension Credit Regulations;
- (m) article 26, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the ESA Regulations 2008;
- (n) article 27, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the ESA Regulations 2013;
- (o) article 28, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first assessment period to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017⁽²⁾, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph “assessment period” has the same meaning as in section 7(2) of the Welfare Reform Act 2012⁽³⁾; and
- (p) article 29, on 9th May 2017.

(3) In so far as articles 3, 4, 10, 12, 19 and 27 relate to a beneficiary in favour of whom an award of universal credit is in force, those articles shall come into force for the purposes of determining the beneficiary’s unearned income in relation to that award on the same day as article 28 comes into force for that beneficiary.

(4) The changes made in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14 shall take effect for each case on the date specified in relation to that case in article 7.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the Administration Act” means the Social Security Administration Act 1992;

“the Computation of Earnings Regulations” means the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1996⁽⁴⁾;

“the Contributions and Benefits Act” means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992⁽⁵⁾;

“the ESA Regulations 2008” means the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2008⁽⁶⁾;

“the ESA Regulations 2013” means the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations 2013⁽⁷⁾;

“the Housing Benefit Regulations” means the Housing Benefit Regulations 2006⁽⁸⁾;

“the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations” means the Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for State Pension Credit) Regulations 2006⁽⁹⁾;

(2) See S.I. 2014/2888 which amends section 150(10) of the Administration Act and also inserts section 150(10ZA) and (10ZB) into that Act so that it aligns with the monthly assessment period cycle in universal credit.

(3) 2012 c. 5.

(4) S.I. 1996/2745; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2002/842.

(5) 1992 c. 4 (“the Contributions and Benefits Act”).

(6) S.I. 2008/794; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2008/2428 and 3195, 2009/2655 and 3228, 2010/1811, 2011/2428, 2014/591, 2015/457 and 2016/242.

(7) S.I. 2013/379; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2015/457.

(8) S.I. 2006/213; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2006/718, 2007/2868, 2008/1082 and 2428, 2009/2608, 2010/793, 2015/457, 1754 and 1857 and 2016/242.

(9) S.I. 2006/214; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2006/718, 2007/2869, 2008/3157, 2010/793, 2015/457, 1754 and 1857 and 2016/242.

- “the Income Support Regulations” means the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(10);
- “the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations” means the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996(11);
- “the Pensions Act” means the Pensions Act 2014(12);
- “the Pension Schemes Act” means the Pension Schemes Act 1993(13);
- “the State Pension Credit Regulations” means the State Pension Credit Regulations 2002(14);
- and
- “the Universal Credit Regulations” means the Universal Credit Regulations 2013(15).

PART 2

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS AND PENSIONS

Rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Contributions and Benefits Act

3.—(1) From and including the respective dates specified in article 7, the sums specified in paragraph (2) shall be increased so that Schedule 4 to the Contributions and Benefits Act (contributory periodical benefits, non-contributory periodical benefits, increases for dependants and rates of industrial injuries benefit), except paragraph 5 of Part III of that Schedule (guardian’s allowance), has effect as set out in Schedule 1 to this Order.

(2) The sums mentioned in paragraph (1) are the sums specified in Parts I, III, IV and V of Schedule 4 to the Contributions and Benefits Act except in—

- (a) Part III, the sum specified for age addition to a pension of any category and otherwise under section 79 of that Act;
- (b) Part IV, the sums specified in column (2) (increase for qualifying child); and
- (c) Part V, the sums specified for the increase in disablement pension for dependent children and death benefit allowance in respect of children and qualifying young persons(16).

Increase in rates or amounts of certain pensions and allowances under the Contributions and Benefits Act

4.—(1) The sums specified in paragraphs (2) to (5) shall be increased from and including the respective dates specified in article 7.

(2) The sums falling to be calculated under paragraph 13(4) of Schedule 7 to the Contributions and Benefits Act (calculation of weekly rate of a beneficiary’s retirement allowance) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

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- (10) S.I. 1987/1967; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1990/1776, 1995/516, 1613 and 2927, 1996/206, 1803, 2518 and 2545, 1998/766, 1999/2555, 3109 and 3178, 2000/2629, 2001/3651, 2002/2497 and 3019, 2003/455, 2004/2327 and 2825, 2005/3360, 2006/718, 2007/719, 2009/3228, 2010/1811, 2014/591, 2015/457 and 2016/242.
- (11) S.I. 1996/207; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/1516, 1803, 2518 and 2545, 1998/766, 1999/2555 and 2860, 2000/636, 1978 and 2629, 2001/518 and 3651, 2003/455 and 511, 2004/2327 and 2825, 2006/718, 2007/719, 2008/3195, 2009/1488 and 3228, 2010/1811, 2014/591, 2015/457 and 2016/242.
- (12) 2014 c. 19.
- (13) 1993 c. 48; the relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2005/2050.
- (14) S.I. 2002/1792; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2002/3197, 2004/2327 and 2825, 2005/3360, 2006/588 and 2378, 2007/2618, 2008/3195, 2010/1811, 2014/591, 2015/457 and 1754 and 2016/230 and 242.
- (15) S.I. 2013/376; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2013/1508 and 2015/457.
- (16) Part V of Schedule 4 to the Contributions and Benefits Act was amended by paragraph 15 of Schedule 1 to the Child Benefit Act 2005 (c. 6) (“the 2005 Act”).

(3) In section 44(4) of the Contributions and Benefits Act(17) (basic pension in a Category A retirement pension)—

- (a) for “£101.10” substitute “£102.10”; and
- (b) for “£119.30” substitute “£122.30”.

(4) It is directed(18) that the sums which are—

- (a) additional pensions in long-term benefits calculated by reference to any final relevant year earlier than the tax year 2016-2017;
- (b) increases in the rates of retirement pensions under Schedule 5 to the Contributions and Benefits Act(19) (pension increase or lump sum where entitlement to retirement pension is deferred);
- (c) lump sums to which surviving spouses or civil partners will become entitled under paragraph 7A of that Schedule(20) on becoming entitled to a Category A or Category B retirement pension (entitlement to lump sum where pensioner’s deceased spouse or civil partner has deferred entitlement); and
- (d) payable to a pensioner as part of their Category A or Category B retirement pension by virtue of an order made under section 126A of the Social Security Act 1975(21), section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986(22) or section 150(1)(e) of the Administration Act,

shall in each case be increased by 1.0 per cent.

(5) The sums which, under—

- (a) section 55A and 55AA of the Contributions and Benefits Act(23), are shared additional pensions; and
- (b) paragraph 2 of Schedule 5A to the Contributions and Benefits Act(24), are increases in the rates of such pensions,

shall in each case be increased by 1.0 per cent.

Increase in rates or amount of certain benefits under the Pension Schemes Act

5.—(1) It is directed(25) that the sums specified in paragraph (2) shall be increased from and including the respective dates specified in article 7.

(2) Sums which are payable by virtue of section 15(1) of the Pension Schemes Act (which provides for increases in a person’s guaranteed minimum pension if payment of their occupational pension is postponed after they attain pensionable age) to a person who is also entitled to a Category A or Category B retirement pension (including sums payable by virtue of section 17(2)(26) and (3)

(17) Section 44(4) was substituted by section 68 of the 1998 Act and amended by section 67 of, and Schedule 8 to, the Welfare Reform Act 2007 and [S.I. 2015/457](#) and [2016/230](#).

(18) See section 151(1) of the Administration Act.

(19) Schedule 5 was amended by paragraph 42 of Schedule 8 to the 1993 Act, paragraph 40 of Schedule 1 to the 1994 Act, paragraphs 6 and 21 of Schedule 4, and Schedule 7, to the Pensions Act 1995, section 39 of the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c. 19) (“the 2000 Act”), Schedule 6 to the Tax Credits Act, paragraphs 2 to 14 of Schedule 11 to the Pensions Act 2004 (c. 35), paragraphs 19 and 20 of Schedule 1, and Schedule 7, to the Pensions Act 2007, paragraph 94 of Schedule 12 to the 2014 Act and [S.I. 2005/2053](#) and [2014/560](#) and [3168](#).

(20) Paragraph 7A was inserted by paragraph 11 of Schedule 11 to the Pensions Act 2004 and amended by paragraph 5(11) of the Schedule to [S.I. 2005/2053](#).

(21) [1975 c. 14](#); section 126A was inserted by section 12 of the Social Security Act 1979 (c. 18) and repealed by section 86 of, and Schedule 11 to, the Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50).

(22) Section 63 was repealed by Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6).

(23) Section 55A was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the 1999 Act and amended by section 41(3) of the 2000 Act and paragraph 5 of Schedule 11 to the 2014 Act. Section 55AA was inserted by paragraph 6 of Schedule 11 to the 2014 Act.

(24) Schedule 5A was inserted by paragraph 15 of Schedule 11 to the Pensions Act 2004.

(25) See section 151(2) of the Administration Act.

(26) Section 17(2) was amended by paragraph 4(b) of Schedule 1 to [S.I. 2005/2050](#).

of that Act) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent. where the increase under section 15(1) is attributable to earnings factors for the tax year 1987-88 and earlier tax years⁽²⁷⁾.

Increase in rates or amounts of certain pensions under Part 1 of the Pensions Act

6.—(1) The sums specified in paragraphs (2) to (4) shall be increased from and including the date specified in article 7(10).

(2) In regulation 1A of the State Pension Regulations 2015⁽²⁸⁾ (full rate of state pension) for “£155.65” substitute “£159.55”.

(3) It is directed⁽²⁹⁾ that the sums which are increases under section 17 of the Pensions Act in the rates of state pensions under Part 1 of that Act shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

(4) The amounts which, under—

- (a) section 9 of the Pensions Act, are survivor’s pensions based on inheritance of deferred old state pension;
- (b) paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 2 to the Pensions Act, are the amounts of state pensions under Part 1 of the Pensions Act at the transitional rate which exceed the full rate for those who reach pensionable age before 10th April 2017;
- (c) paragraphs 5(3) and 6 of Schedule 4 to the Pensions Act, are the amounts of survivor’s pensions which either alone or in combination with certain other pensions under that Act exceed the full rate; and
- (d) paragraphs 5(3) and 6 of Schedule 9 to the Pensions Act, are the amounts of shared state pensions under Part 1 of the Pensions Act which either alone or in combination with certain other pensions under that Act exceed the full rate,

shall in each case be increased by 1.0 per cent.

(5) For the purpose of this article, “old state pension” has the same meaning as in section 22 of the Pensions Act.

Dates on which sums specified for rates or amounts of benefits in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14 are changed by this Order

7.—(1) Paragraphs (2) to (8), which are subject to the provisions of paragraph (9), specify the date on which the changes made by this Order in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14 shall take effect for each case.

(2) Any increases in the sums mentioned in articles 3, 4, 12 and 13 for Category A and Category B retirement pension, graduated retirement benefit and Category C retirement pension together with, where appropriate, any increases for dependants, shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

(3) The increases in the sums mentioned in article 5(2) shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

(4) Any increases in the sums specified for—

(a) the rate of—

- (i) Category C and Category D retirement pension,
- (ii) attendance allowance, and

⁽²⁷⁾ See section 151(4) of the Administration Act. Under section 151(4), where an increment under section 15(1) of the 1993 Act is increased by an order under section 109 of that Act, the increase that would otherwise fall to be made by this Order is reduced by the amount of the increase under section 109. Section 109 of the 1993 Act was amended by section 55 of the Pensions Act 1995. The Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/) provides for an increase of 1.0 per cent where the increase under section 15(1) is attributable to the tax years 1988-89 and subsequent tax years up to and including 1996-97.

⁽²⁸⁾ S.I. 2015/173; regulation 1A was inserted by S.I. 2016/227.

⁽²⁹⁾ See section 151(2) of the Administration Act.

(iii) carer's allowance (except in a case where the Secretary of State has made arrangements for it to be paid on a Wednesday); and

(b) any increases in—

(i) Category C retirement pension and carer's allowance referred to in sub-paragraph (a) (i) and (iii), and

(ii) widowed mother's allowance and widowed parent's allowance,

in respect of dependants,

shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

(5) Any increases in the sums specified for—

(a) the rate of—

(i) carer's allowance in a case where the Secretary of State has made arrangements for it to be paid on a Wednesday,

(ii) disablement benefit,

(iii) maximum disablement gratuity under paragraph 9(2) of Schedule 7 to the Contributions and Benefits Act,

(iv) industrial death benefit by way of widow's and widower's pension,

(v) the maximum of the aggregate of weekly benefit payable for successive accidents, under section 107(1) of the Contributions and Benefits Act; and

(b) any increases in—

(i) the benefits referred to in paragraphs (i), (iii) and (iv) of sub-paragraph (a) in respect of dependants, and

(ii) disablement pension,

shall take effect on 12th April 2017.

(6) In any case where a person's weekly rate of Category A or Category B retirement pension falls to be increased under the provisions of section 47(1) or 48C(2) of the Contributions and Benefits Act⁽³⁰⁾ by reference to the weekly rate of invalidity allowance or age addition to long-term incapacity benefit to which the person was previously entitled, any increase in such sum shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

(7) The changes in the sums specified for the rate of incapacity benefit and severe disablement allowance together with, where appropriate, any increases for dependants, shall take effect on 6th April 2017.

(8) The increases in the sums falling to be calculated in accordance with paragraph 13(4) of Schedule 7 to the Contributions and Benefits Act (retirement allowance) shall take effect on 12th April 2017.

(9) Any increases in the sums specified in article 3 of this Order in so far as those sums are relevant for the purposes of establishing whether the rate of any benefit is not to be increased in respect of an adult dependant because the earnings of the dependant exceed a specified amount⁽³¹⁾, shall take effect—

⁽³⁰⁾ Section 47(1) was amended by paragraph 13 of Schedule 1 to the 1994 Act. Section 48C was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 4 to the Pensions Act 1995 and amended by [S.I. 2005/2053](#).

⁽³¹⁾ See section 82(3)(a) of the Contributions and Benefits Act, regulations 8 and 10(2) of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security Benefit (Dependency) Regulations 1977 ([S.I. 1977/343](#)) ("the 1977 Regulations") and regulation 10 of the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit-Increases for Dependants) Regulations 1994 ([S.I. 1994/2945](#)). Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1984/1698](#) and [1699](#), [1987/355](#), [1988/554](#), [1989/523](#) and [1642](#), [1992/3041](#), [1994/2945](#), [1996/1345](#) and [2745](#), [2002/2497](#), [2005/2877](#) and [2006/692](#). Paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to the 1977 Regulations was also amended by section 37 of the Social Security Act 1986.

- (a) except in a case where sub-paragraph (b) applies, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for the beneficiary on or after 10th April 2017;
- (b) in a case where regulation 7(b) of the Computation of Earnings Regulations (date on which earnings are treated as paid) applies, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for the beneficiary on or after 1st April 2017,

and for the purpose of this paragraph, “benefit week” has the same meaning as in regulation 2(1) of the Computation of Earnings Regulations.

(10) Any increases in the sums mentioned in article 6 for state pension under Part 1 of the Pensions Act shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

(11) The increase in the sum mentioned in article 14 shall take effect on 10th April 2017.

Earnings Limits

8. In section 80(4) of the Contributions and Benefits Act(**32**) (earnings limits in respect of child dependency increases)—

- (a) “£230.00” remains unchanged; and
- (b) “£30.00” remains unchanged.

Statutory Sick Pay

9. In section 157(1) of the Contributions and Benefits Act(**33**) (rate of payment of statutory sick pay) for “£88.45” substitute “£89.35”.

Statutory Maternity Pay

10. In regulation 6 of the Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations 1986(**34**) (prescribed rate of statutory maternity pay) for “£139.58” substitute “£140.98”.

Statutory Paternity Pay, Statutory Adoption Pay and Statutory Shared Parental Pay

11.—(1) In the Statutory Paternity Pay and Statutory Adoption Pay (Weekly Rates) Regulations 2002(**35**)—

- (a) in regulation 2(a) (weekly rate of payment of statutory paternity pay) for “£139.58” substitute “£140.98”; and
- (b) in regulation 3(a) (weekly rate of payment of statutory adoption pay) for “£139.58” substitute “£140.98”.

(2) In regulation 40(1)(a) of the Statutory Shared Parental Pay (General) Regulations 2014(**36**) (weekly rate of payment of statutory shared parental pay) for “£139.58” substitute “£140.98”.

Increase in rate of graduated retirement benefit

12.—(1) In section 36(1) of the National Insurance Act 1965(**37**) (graduated retirement benefit)—

(32) Section 80 was repealed by Schedule 6 to the Tax Credits Act. Article 3 of [S.I. 2003/938](#) saves the repealed provision in certain circumstances. Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(33) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/30](#).

(34) [S.I. 1986/1960](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2002/2690](#) and [2015/30](#).

(35) [S.I. 2002/2818](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2004/925](#) and [2015/30](#).

(36) [S.I. 2014/3051](#); relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/30](#).

(37) [1965 c. 51](#). Sections 36 and 37 were repealed by the Social Security Act 1973 ([c. 38](#)) but are continued in force by regulation 3 of the Social Security (Graduated Retirement Benefit) (No. 2) Regulations 1978 ([S.I. 1978/393](#)), in the modified form set out in Schedule 1 to those Regulations; relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1989/1642](#), [1995/2606](#), [1996/1345](#), [2005/454](#) and [3078](#) and [2015/457](#). See also regulation 2 of those Regulations, which was substituted by [S.I. 1995/2606](#).

- (a) the sum of 13.30 pence shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.; and
- (b) from and including 10th April 2017 the reference to that sum shall have effect as a reference to 13.43 pence.

(2) The sums which are the increases of graduated retirement benefit under Schedule 2 to the Social Security (Graduated Retirement Benefit) (No. 2) Regulations 1978⁽³⁸⁾ (increases for deferred retirement) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

(3) The sums which are lump sums to which surviving spouses or civil partners will become entitled under Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Graduated Retirement Benefit) Regulations 2005⁽³⁹⁾ (increases of graduated retirement benefit and lump sums) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

(4) The sums which are the additions under section 37(1) of the National Insurance Act 1965 (additions for widows and widowers) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

Increase in amount of Category C retirement pension under the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979

13. In regulation 11(3) of the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979⁽⁴⁰⁾ (Category C retirement pension for widows of men over pensionable age on 5th July 1948) for “£71.50” substitute “£73.30”.

Maximum additional pension

14. In regulation 3A of the Social Security (Maximum Additional Pension) Regulations 2010⁽⁴¹⁾ (prescribed maximum additional pension for survivors who become entitled on or after 6th April 2016) for “£165.60” substitute “£167.26”.

Increase in rates of Disability Living Allowance

15. In regulation 4 of the Social Security (Disability Living Allowance) Regulations 1991⁽⁴²⁾ (rate of benefit)—

- (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£82.30” substitute “£83.10”;
- (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£55.10” substitute “£55.65”;
- (c) in paragraph (1)(c) for “£21.80” substitute “£22.00”;
- (d) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£57.45” substitute “£58.00”; and
- (e) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£21.80” substitute “£22.00”.

Increase in rates of Personal Independence Payment

16. In regulation 24 of the Social Security (Personal Independence Payment) Regulations 2013⁽⁴³⁾ (rate of personal independence payment)—

- (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£55.10” substitute “£55.65”;
- (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£82.30” substitute “£83.10”;
- (c) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£21.80” substitute “£22.00”; and

⁽³⁸⁾ S.I. 1978/393; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1989/1642, 2005/454 and 2015/457.

⁽³⁹⁾ S.I. 2005/454; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2005/2677 and 3078 and 2015/457.

⁽⁴⁰⁾ S.I. 1979/642; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1987/1854, 1989/1642, 2015/1985 and 2016/230.

⁽⁴¹⁾ S.I. 2010/426; regulation 3A was inserted by S.I. 2015/1985.

⁽⁴²⁾ S.I. 1991/2890; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1993/1939 and 2015/457.

⁽⁴³⁾ S.I. 2013/377; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2015/457.

(d) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£57.45” substitute “£58.00”.

Rates of age addition

17.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), in regulation 10(2) of the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) Regulations 1994(**44**) (increase in rate of incapacity benefit where beneficiary is under prescribed age on the qualifying date)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£21.50” substitute “£21.70”; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£10.80” substitute “£10.90”.

(2) In the case of a claimant entitled to long-term incapacity benefit the sums specified in regulation 10(2)(a) and (b) of those Regulations shall be increased to “£11.25” and “£6.25” respectively.

Rates of transitional invalidity allowance

18.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), in regulation 18(2) of the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) (Transitional) Regulations 1995(**45**) (rate of long-term incapacity benefit in transitional cases)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£21.50” substitute “£21.70”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£13.90” substitute “£14.00”; and
- (c) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£6.95” substitute “£7.00”.

(2) In the case of a claimant entitled to long-term incapacity benefit the sums specified in regulation 18(2)(a), (b) and (c) of those Regulations shall be increased to “£11.25”, “£6.25” and “£6.25” respectively.

Rates of bereavement benefits

19. In the Rate of Bereavement Benefits Regulations 2010(**46**)—

- (a) in regulation 2 (rate of widowed mother’s allowance and widow’s pension) for “£112.55” substitute “£113.70”; and
- (b) in regulation 3 (rate of widowed parent’s allowance and bereavement allowance) for “£112.55” substitute “£113.70”.

PART 3

INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

Applicable amounts for Income Support

20.—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Income Support Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 2 to 4 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Income Support Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In—

- (a) regulations 17(1)(b)(**47**), 18(1)(c) and 21(1)(**48**); and

(44) [S.I. 1994/2946](#); relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(45) [S.I. 1995/310](#); relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(46) [S.I. 2010/2818](#); relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(47) Regulations 17(1)(b) and 18(1)(c) were omitted by [S.I. 2003/455](#). Regulation 7 of that S.I. (as amended by [S.I. 2005/2294](#)) makes transitional arrangements in connection with the introduction of tax credits.

(b) paragraphs 13A(2)(a)(**49**) and 14(2)(a)(**50**) of Part III of Schedule 2, the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part I of Schedule 2(**51**) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2(**52**) (applicable amounts: family premium)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) “£17.45” remains unchanged; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) “£17.45” remains unchanged.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 2(**53**) (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 3 to this Order.

(6) In paragraph 18 of Schedule 3(**54**) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;
- (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;
- (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;
- (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and
- (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.

(7) The sums specified in the provisions of the Income Support Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 4 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

Income Support Transitional Protection

21. It is directed(**55**) that the sums which are special transitional additions to income support payable in accordance with regulation 15 of the Income Support (Transitional) Regulations 1987(**56**) (special transitional addition) shall be increased by 1.0 per cent.

Housing Benefit

22.—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 5 and 6 to this Order; and unless otherwise stated, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Housing Benefit Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulation B13(3)(**57**) (determination of a maximum rent (social sector))—

(48) Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1994/527, 1996/206 and 2431, 2000/636, 2001/3767 and 2003/455.

(49) Paragraph 13A was inserted by S.I. 2000/2629 and amended by S.I. 2002/3019, 2003/455, 2007/719 and 2011/674 and 2425.

(50) Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2007/719 and 2011/674.

(51) Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/2545, 1999/2555, 2003/455, 2006/718 and 2015/457.

(52) Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/1803, 1998/766, 2003/455 and 2014/516.

(53) Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1990/1776, 1996/1803, 2000/2629, 2002/2497 and 3019, 2007/719, 2015/457 and 2016/242.

(54) Schedule 3 was substituted by S.I. 1995/1613; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1995/2927, 1996/2518, 1999/3178, 2004/2327 and 2016/242.

(55) See section 151(6) of the Administration Act.

(56) S.I. 1987/1969; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/521 and 670, 1989/1626, 1991/1600 and 2015/457.

(57) Regulation B13 was inserted by S.I. 2012/3040.

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “14%” remains unchanged; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “25%” remains unchanged.
- (3) In regulation 27(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “£175.00” remains unchanged; and
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “£300.00” remains unchanged.
- (4) In regulation 74(**58**) (non-dependant deductions)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;
 - (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;
 - (c) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;
 - (d) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;
 - (e) in paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;
 - (f) in paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and
 - (g) in paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.
- (5) In paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges), for “£26.85”, “£26.85”, “£13.60”, “£17.85”, “£17.85”, “£9.00” and “£3.30” substitute “£27.10”, “£27.10”, “£13.75”, “£18.05”, “£18.05”, “£9.10” and “£3.35” respectively.
- (6) In paragraph 6 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (payments in respect of fuel charges)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) “£28.80” remains unchanged;
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d) “£3.35” remains unchanged; and
 - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) “£2.30” remains unchanged.
- (7) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 3(**59**) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.
- (8) In paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 3(**60**) (applicable amounts: family premium)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) “£22.20” remains unchanged; and
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) “£17.45” remains unchanged.
- (9) The sums specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 6 to this Order.
- (10) In paragraph 26 of Part 6 of Schedule 3(**61**) (amount of components) for “£36.20” substitute “£36.55”.
- (11) In paragraph 17(1)(**62**) and (3)(c) of Schedule 4 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.
- (12) In paragraph 56 of Schedule 5 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.

(58) Regulation 74 was substituted by [S.I. 2007/2868](#). The relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2016/242](#).

(59) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2008/1082](#) and [2015/457](#).

(60) Part 2 of Schedule 3 was omitted by [S.I. 2015/1857](#). Regulation 4 of that S.I. makes transitional arrangements in connection with the abolition of the Family Premium.

(61) Part 6 was inserted by [S.I. 2008/1082](#) (as amended by [S.I. 2008/2428](#)) and amended by [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(62) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2009/2608](#) and [2010/793](#).

Housing Benefit for certain persons over the qualifying age for State Pension Credit

23.—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 7 and 8 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulation 30(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “£175.00” remains unchanged; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “£300.00” remains unchanged.

(3) In regulation 55(**63**) (non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;
- (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;
- (c) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;
- (d) in paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;
- (e) in paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;
- (f) in paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and
- (g) in paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.

(4) In paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges), for “£26.85”, “£26.85”, “£13.60”, “£17.85”, “£17.85”, “£9.00” and “£3.30” substitute “£27.10”, “£27.10”, “£13.75”, “£18.05”, “£18.05”, “£9.10” and “£3.35” respectively.

(5) In paragraph 6 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (payments in respect of fuel charges)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) “£28.80” remains unchanged;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d) “£3.35” remains unchanged; and
- (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) “£2.30” remains unchanged.

(6) The sums specified in Part 1 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 7 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 3(1) of Part 2 of Schedule 3(**64**) (applicable amounts: family premium) “£17.45” remains unchanged.

(8) The sums specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: amounts of premiums specified in Part 3) shall be as set out in Schedule 8 to this Order.

(9) In paragraph 9(1) and (3)(c) of Schedule 4 (sums disregarded from claimant’s earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.

(10) In paragraph 21 of Schedule 5(**65**) (amounts to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.

(63) Regulation 55 was substituted by [S.I. 2007/2869](#). The relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2016/242](#).

(64) Part 2 of Schedule 3 was omitted by [S.I. 2015/1857](#). Regulation 4 of that S.I. makes transitional arrangements in connection with the abolition of the Family Premium.

(65) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2008/3157](#) and [2010/793](#).

PART 4

JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE

Applicable amounts for Jobseeker's Allowance

24.—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 9 to 12 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In—

(a) regulations 83(b), 84(1)(c) and 85(1)(**66**); and

(b) paragraphs 15A(2)(a)(**67**) and 16(2)(a)(**68**) of Part III of Schedule 1,

the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1(**69**) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 9 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 4 of Part II of Schedule 1(**70**) (applicable amounts: family premium)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) “£17.45” remains unchanged; and

(b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) “£17.45” remains unchanged.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 1(**71**) (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 10 to this Order.

(6) The sums specified in Part IVB of Schedule 1(**72**) (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums for joint-claim couples) shall be as set out in Schedule 11 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 17 of Schedule 2(**73**) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;

(c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;

(d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;

(e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;

(f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and

(g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.

(66) Regulations 83(b) and 84(1)(c) were omitted, and regulation 85(1) was amended, by [S.I. 2003/455](#). Regulation 8 of that S.I. (as amended by [S.I. 2005/2294](#)) makes transitional arrangements in connection with the introduction of child tax credit. Regulation 85(1) was also amended by [S.I. 2007/2618](#).

(67) Paragraph 15A was inserted by [S.I. 2000/2629](#) and amended by [S.I. 2003/455](#) and [2007/719](#).

(68) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2007/719](#), [2011/674](#) and [2013/388](#).

(69) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/2545](#), [1999/2555](#), [2003/455](#), [2006/718](#) and [2015/457](#).

(70) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/1803](#), [1998/766](#), [2003/455](#) and [2014/516](#).

(71) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/1516](#) and [1803](#), [2000/2239](#) and [2629](#), [2003/455](#) and [511](#), [2007/719](#), [2009/1488](#), [2015/457](#) and [2016/242](#).

(72) Part IVB was inserted by [S.I. 2000/1978](#) and amended by [S.I. 2000/2629](#), [2001/518](#), [2003/511](#), [2007/719](#), [2009/1488](#), [2015/457](#) and [2016/242](#).

(73) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/2518](#), [1999/2860](#), [2004/2327](#) and [2016/242](#).

(8) The sums specified in the provisions of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 12 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

PART 5

STATE PENSION CREDIT

State Pension Credit

25.—(1) The amounts as specified in the State Pension Credit Regulations shall be the amounts set out in this article and Schedule 13 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the State Pension Credit Regulations bearing that number.

- (2) In regulation 6(**74**) (amount of the guarantee credit)—
- (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£237.55” substitute “£243.25”;
 - (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£155.60” substitute “£159.35”;
 - (c) in paragraph (5)(a) for “£61.85” substitute “£62.45”;
 - (d) in paragraph (5)(b) for “£123.70” substitute “£124.90”; and
 - (e) in paragraph (8) for “£34.60” substitute “£34.95”.
- (3) In regulation 7(**75**) (savings credit)—
- (a) in paragraph (1) “60 per cent.”, “60 per cent.” and “40 per cent.” in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) respectively remain unchanged; and
 - (b) in paragraph (2) for “£133.82” and “£212.97” substitute “£137.35” and “£218.42” respectively.
- (4) In paragraph 14 of Schedule II(**76**) (persons residing with the claimant)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;
 - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;
 - (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;
 - (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;
 - (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and
 - (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.
- (5) In paragraph 1 of Schedule III(**77**) (polygamous marriages)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (5) for “£237.55” and “£81.95” substitute “£243.25” and “£83.90” respectively; and
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (7) for “£212.97” substitute “£218.42”.

(74) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2015/457](#) and [1754](#) and [2016/230](#).

(75) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2016/242](#).

(76) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2002/3197](#), [2004/2327](#), [2006/2378](#) and [2016/242](#).

(77) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2002/3197](#) and [2016/242](#).

(6) The amounts specified in the provisions of the State Pension Credit Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 13 to this Order are the amounts set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

PART 6

EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE

Applicable amounts for the ESA Regulations 2008

26.—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the ESA Regulations 2008 shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 14 and 15 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the ESA Regulations 2008 bearing that number.

(2) The sums specified in Part 3 of Schedule 4(**78**) (weekly amount of premiums specified in Part 2) shall be as set out in Schedule 14 to this Order.

(3) In Part 4 of Schedule 4(**79**) (the components) in paragraph 13 for “£36.20” substitute “£36.55”.

(4) In paragraph 19 of Schedule 6(**80**) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£94.50” substitute “£95.45”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£14.65” substitute “£14.80”;
- (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£133.00” substitute “£136.00”;
- (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£133.00”, “£195.00” and “£33.65” substitute “£136.00”, “£200.00” and “£34.00” respectively;
- (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£195.00”, “£253.00” and “£46.20” substitute “£200.00”, “£259.00” and “£46.65” respectively;
- (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£253.00”, “£338.00” and “£75.60” substitute “£259.00”, “£346.00” and “£76.35” respectively; and
- (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£338.00”, “£420.00” and “£86.10” substitute “£346.00”, “£430.00” and “£86.95” respectively.

(5) The sums specified in the provisions of the ESA Regulations 2008 set out in column (1) of Schedule 15 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

Prescribed amount for the ESA Regulations 2013

27. In regulation 62(2)(b) of the ESA Regulations 2013(**81**) (prescribed amounts) for “£36.20” substitute “£36.55”.

(78) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2008/2428](#), [2015/457](#) and [2016/242](#).

(79) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(80) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2016/242](#).

(81) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

PART 7

UNIVERSAL CREDIT

Universal Credit

28.—(1) In regulation 34(1)(a) of the Universal Credit Regulations(**82**) (amount of childcare costs element) “85%” remains unchanged.

(2) The amounts of the child element, the additional amount in respect of each child or qualifying young person who is disabled (higher rate), the limited capability for work and work-related activity element, the carer element and the maximum amounts of the childcare costs element specified in the table in regulation 36 of the Universal Credit Regulations(**83**) (table showing amounts of elements) shall be as set out in Schedule 16 to this Order.

(3) In paragraph 14 of Schedule 4 to the Universal Credit Regulations(**84**) (amount of housing cost contributions)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1) for “£69.37” substitute “£70.06”; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (3)(a) “nil” remains unchanged.

(4) The amounts specified in the provisions of the Universal Credit Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 17 to this Order are the amounts set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

PART 8

REVOCATIONS

Revocations

29. The following are revoked—

- (a) the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2015(**85**) save for articles 16, 17(10)(a) and 20; and
- (b) the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2016(**86**).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

28th February 2017

Caroline Nokes
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Work and Pensions

(82) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2014/2887](#) and [2015/1754](#).

(83) The table in regulation 36 was amended by section 14(5)(b) of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 ([c.7](#)) and by [S.I. 2015/30](#), [2015/457](#) and [2015/1754](#).

(84) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(85) [S.I. 2015/457](#).

(86) [S.I. 2016/230](#).

We consent,

2nd March 2017

Andrew Griffiths
Stephen Barclay
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her
Majesty's Treasury