

1981 No. 275

SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFIT

**The Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1981**

Made 14th August 1981

Coming into operation 23rd November 1981

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 5(1) of, and paragraph 2(1) and (4) of Schedule 1 to, the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the consent of the Department of Finance(b), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Supplementary Benefit Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 23rd November 1981.

(2) In these regulations—

“Requirements Regulations” means the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(c);

“Single Payments Regulations” means the Supplementary Benefit (Single Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980(d).

Increase of amounts specified in the Single Payments Regulations

2.—(1) Amounts specified in the Single Payments Regulations shall be increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 23 (expenses on starting work), in paragraph (2)(e) for “£30” there shall be substituted “£35”.

(3) For Schedule 1 (which specifies amounts payable for specified items of bedclothes) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 1 to these regulations which specifies higher amounts for those items.

(4) For Schedule 2 (which specifies amounts payable for specified items of clothing and footwear for work and for men, women, boys, girls and babies) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 2 to these regulations which specifies higher amounts for those items.

Increase of amounts specified in the Requirements Regulations

3.—(1) Amounts specified in the Requirements Regulations shall be increased in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(a) S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27): provisions of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, as amended by Article 7 of, and Part I of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8)), are set out in Part II of that Schedule
 (b) See Article 41(1) of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, as amended by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980
 (c) S.R. 1980 No. 347; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1981 No. 241
 (d) S.R. 1980 No. 363; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1981 No. 215

(2) In regulation 5(1) (normal requirements of relevant persons and householders)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£34·60” there shall be substituted “£37·75”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£21·30” there shall be substituted “£23·25”.

(3) In regulation 9 (modification of normal requirements of boarders)—

(a) in paragraph (2)(b)—

- (i) in head (i), for “£0·80” there shall be substituted “£0·90”,
- (ii) in heads (ii) and (iii), for “£1·10” there shall be substituted “£1·25”;

(b) in paragraph (4)—

- (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£10·70” and “£5·35” there shall be substituted “£11·50” and “£5·75” respectively,
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£22·70” and “£11·35” there shall be substituted “£24·50” and “£12·25” respectively,
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£6·00” there shall be substituted “£6·50”,
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (d), for “£11·35” there shall be substituted “£12·25”;
- (c) in paragraph (8), for sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) there shall be substituted—

“(a) for a relevant person—

- (i) long-term rate, £17·10,
- (ii) ordinary rate, £15·40;

(b) for a claimant who is not a relevant person—

- (i) long-term rate, £8·55,
- (ii) ordinary rate, £7·70;

(c) for a dependant—

- (i) aged not less than 18, £7·70,
- (ii) aged less than 18 but not less than 16, £4·60,
- (iii) aged less than 16 but not less than 11, £3·95,
- (iv) aged less than 11, £2·60.”

(4) In regulation 15 (rent), in paragraph (3) for sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) there shall be substituted—

“(a) for heating.....	£5·10;
(b) for lighting	£0·40;
(c) for cooking	£0·60;
(d) for hot water.....	£0·60;”

(5) In regulation 17 (maintenance and insurance), in paragraph (1) with effect from 29th March 1982, for “£1·50” there shall be substituted “£1·65”.

(6) In regulation 22 (reduction in amounts applicable for certain occupants of the home)—

(a) in paragraph (2)(a) for “£2” and “£0·25” there shall be substituted “£2·30” and “£0·30” respectively;

(b) in paragraph (4)—

- (i) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£2·15” there shall be substituted “£2·55”,
- (ii) in sub-paragraph (d) for “£4·60” there shall be substituted “£5·40”.

(7) In regulation 23 (non-householder’s contribution)—

(a) in paragraph (1)(a), for “£2·15” there shall be substituted “£2·55”.

(b) in paragraph (1)(b), for “£4·60” there shall be substituted “£5·40”.

(8) For Schedule 1 (which specifies amounts for normal requirements of persons other than relevant persons and householders) there shall be substituted the Schedule set out in Schedule 3 to these regulations which specifies higher amounts in respect of those persons.

(9) In Part I of Schedule 3 (additional requirements for heating), in column (2)—

(a) in paragraph 1—

(i) in sub-paragraph (1) for “£1·40” there shall be substituted “£1·65”,

(ii) in sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) for “£3·40” there shall be substituted “£4·05”;

(b) in paragraph 2 for “£1·40” and “£3·40” there shall be substituted “£1·65” and “£4·05” respectively;

(c) in paragraph 3 for “£1·40” and “£2·80” there shall be substituted “£1·65” and “£3·30” respectively;

(d) in paragraph 5, for “£4·35” there shall be substituted “£5·10”;

(e) in paragraph 6, for “£3·40” there shall be substituted “£4·05”;

(f) in paragraph 7, for “£1·40” there shall be substituted “£1·65”.

(10) In Part II of Schedule 3 (items other than heating), in column (2) in paragraph 13, for sub-paragraphs (a) to (d) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraphs—

“(a) £3·05;

(b) £1·30;

(c) £1·30;

(d) £8·70;”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 14th August 1981.

(L.S.)

T. S. Martin

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance hereby consents to the foregoing regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance for Northern Ireland on 14th August 1981.

(L.S.)

Desmond Cole

Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2(3)

Schedule 1 to the Single Payments Regulations
as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 12

Bedclothes

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> £
Blanket (cot)	5.30
Blanket (single)	9.80
Blanket (double)	12.50
Pillow	4.60
Pillow-case	1.80
Quilt-terylene (single)	13.00
Quilt-terylene (double)	15.25
Sheets — cotton (single) pair	13.00
Sheets — cotton (double) pair	17.75
Sheets — flannelette (cot) pair	5.00
Sheets — flannelette (single) pair	11.25
Sheets — flannelette (double) pair	14.75
Sheets — nylon (single) pair	7.50
Sheets — nylon (double) pair	9.20

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 2(4)

Schedule 2 to the Single Payments Regulations
as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 2

Regulations 7, 23 and 27

CLOTHING

PART I

Men's Clothing

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> £
Anorak	19.75
Cap	4.30
Cardigan	10.75
Dressing-gown	17.25
Overcoat	46.50
Pullover	7.00
Pyjamas	9.20
Raincoat	30.50
Shirt	7.00
Shoes	14.00
Slippers	4.30
Socks	1.20
Sports-jacket	36.50
Suit	55.00
Trousers	14.00
Underpants — briefs	1.60
Underpants — woollen (long)	6.50
Underpants — woollen (short)	4.85
Vest — singlet	1.95
Vest — woollen	5.50

PART II

Working Clothes

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> £
Boiler suit	11.50
Boots	14.00
Donkey-jacket	19.75
Dungarees	9.20
Jeans	11.00
Overalls	10.50
Wellingtons	9.20

PART III

Women's Clothing

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> £
Blouse	6.80
Boots (ankle)	16.75
Brassiere	3.65
Briefs	1.40
Cardigan	8.60
Corset	9.20
Dress — summerweight	12.50
Dress — winterweight	16.00
Dressing-gown	12.50
Hat	2.70
Jumper	7.30
Knickers	1.95
Nightdress (standard length)	6.80
Nightdress (full length)	8.60
Overcoat	43.00
Pantie-girdle	4.90
Petticoat	4.30
Pyjamas	9.20
Raincoat	30.50
Shoes	13.50
Skirt	9.20
Slippers	4.30
Stockings/tights	0.65
Trousers	9.80
Vest — cotton	1.85
Vest — woollen	4.30

PART IV

Boys' Clothing

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> <i>Small to Large</i>	
	£	£
Dressing-gown	8.60	11.75
Dufflecoat	14.75	19.75
Jacket/anorak	11.00	14.75
Overcoat	18.25	26.00
Pyjamas	4.90	6.15
Raincoat	13.50	20.75
Shirt	4.30	6.50
Shoes	8.60	11.75
Slippers	3.25	4.10
Socks	0.70	0.95
Sweater	4.90	6.80
Trousers — long	6.80	9.80
Trousers — short	4.30	5.50
Underpants	—	1.25
Vest	—	1.45
Wellingtons	3.75	5.50

PART V

Girls' Clothing

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> <i>Small to Large</i>	
	£	£
Blouse	4.30	4.85
Brassiere	—	2.70
Briefs	—	1.10
Cardigan	4.60	6.80
Dress — summerweight	5.50	8.60
Dress — winterweight	7.50	10.75
Dressing-gown	8.60	11.75
Dufflecoat	14.75	19.75
Jacket/anorak	11.00	14.75
Jumper	4.90	6.80
Nightdress	4.90	6.80
Overcoat	17.25	25.00
Pantie-girdle	—	4.90
Petticoat	—	3.05
Pyjamas	4.90	7.30
Raincoat	13.50	19.75
Shoes	8.60	11.75
Skirt	5.90	8.60
Slippers	3.25	4.10
Socks	0.70	0.95
Stockings/tights	—	0.65
Trousers	6.50	9.70
Vest	—	1.35
Wellingtons	3.75	5.50

PART VI

Baby Clothing

Column 1 <i>Item</i>	Column 2 <i>Amount</i> £
Napkin	0.95
One-piece stretch sleeping suit	4.00
Plastic pants	0.50
Pramsuit	6.50
Vest	0.95
Wrap/shawl	5.20

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 3(8)

Schedule 1 to the Requirements Regulations
as substituted by these Regulations

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 6

Normal Requirements of Persons other than
Relevant Persons and Householders

<i>Description of person (not being a relevant person or a householder)</i>	<i>Weekly amount</i>
(1)	(2)
1. Claimant aged— (a) not less than 18; (b) less than 18 with a dependant.	1. Long-term rate £23.65 Ordinary rate £18.60 (the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with regulation 7).
2. Claimant aged less than 18 without a dependant.	2. Long-term rate £18.15 Ordinary rate £14.30 (the appropriate rate being determined in accordance with regulation 7).
3. Dependand aged— (a) not less than 18; (b) less than 18 but not less than 16; (c) less than 16 but not less than 11; (d) less than 11.	3. (a) £18.60 (b) £14.30 (c) £11.90 (d) £ 7.90

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations increase certain amounts specified in regulations made under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 ("the Order") as amended by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 which are not expressed as equal to amounts in, or as percentages of amounts in, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 or the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975.

Regulation 2 increases the amounts specified in the Supplementary Benefit (Single Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 which relate to the maximum amount payable in respect of unspecified items necessary for starting work and which relate to single payments for bedclothes, clothing and footwear.

Regulation 3 increases the amounts specified in the Supplementary Benefit (Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980 which modify the ordinary rates specified for normal requirements in the Table in paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 1 to the Order for couples and single householders, and which specify rates for persons not mentioned in the Table. The amounts specified as deductible from inclusive rent and in respect of certain occupants of the home are increased. The amounts specified for additional requirements for heating and for diets are also increased.