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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Benefit (Dependency) (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1983

Made

19th July 1983

Coming into operation

21st November 1983

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 66(3) and 84(1) and (4) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations which correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Services in relation to Great Britain and which accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980(b) are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Social Security Benefit (Dependency) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 21st November 1983.

Amendment of the Social Security Benefit (Dependency) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977

2.—(1) The Social Security Benefit (Dependency) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977(c) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) In the heading to regulation 3 (allocation of contributions for wife or children) for "wife" there shall be substituted "spouse".

(3) In regulation 3(1) for the word "wife" in both places where it appears there shall be substituted "spouse".

(4) In regulation 3(2) for the word "wife" in each place where it appears there shall be substituted "spouse".

(5) In the heading to regulation 8 (increase of benefit in respect of wife and computation of earnings) for "wife" there shall be substituted "spouse".

(6) In regulation 8(1) for the word "wife" in each place where it appears there shall be substituted "spouse", and for "her" there shall be substituted "that spouse's".

(7) In regulation 8(3) for "wife" there shall be substituted "spouse".

(8) In regulation 11(1) (contribution to maintenance of adult dependant) for "section 44(1), 45(2) or 66(1) (a)" there shall be substituted "section 44(1) and (3) (a), 45(2), 47(1) (a) or 66(1) (a)"; for the word "wife" in each place where it appears there shall be substituted "spouse", and for "her" there shall be substituted "that spouse's or female person's".

(a) 1975 c. 15

(b) 1980 c. 30

(c) S.R. 1977 No. 74, to which there are amendments not relevant to the subject matter of these regulations

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 19th July 1983.

(L.S.)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Social Security Benefit (Dependency) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977 ("the principal regulations").

They provide that, to secure equality of treatment between men and women, references in the principal regulations to a wife in regulations 3(1) and (2) (which deals with allocations of contributions towards the maintenance of a wife or the cost of providing for children), 8(1) and (3) (which deals with increases of benefit in respect of a wife) and 11(1)(a) and (b) (which deals with contributions to the maintenance of an adult dependant), shall be replaced by references to a spouse.

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This Order, being of a temporary character, is not printed at length in this volume.