

1992 No. 242

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**Optical Charges and Payments (Amendment)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992**

Made 28th May 1992

Coming into operation 8th June 1992

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 98 and 106 of, and Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(b), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Optical Charges and Payments (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 8th June 1992.

(2) In these regulations, “the principal regulations” means the Optical Charges and Payments Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(c).

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2. In regulation 2 of the principal regulations (charges for optical appliances supplied by a Board)—

- (a) in paragraph (3) for “£32·15” there is substituted “£35·90”; and
- (b) in paragraph (5)(b) for “£38·85” and “£63·15” in both places where they occur there is substituted “£43·40” and “£70·60” respectively.

Application of regulations

3. The amendments made by regulation 2 apply only in relation to a voucher—

- (a) accepted or used on or after 8th June 1992 pursuant to regulation 12 or regulation 18 of the principal regulations; or
- (b) sent to the Agency pursuant to regulation 14(2)(c) of the principal regulations in respect of cost incurred on or after that date.

(a) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14) as amended by S.I. 1984/1158 (N.I. 8) Article 3 and paragraph 3 of Schedule 1; S.I. 1988/2249 (N.I. 24) paragraphs 4 and 5 of Article 8, and S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1) Article 34 and Part II of Schedule 5; there are other amendments which are not relevant

(b) Formerly Department of Finance: see S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Art. 3

(c) S.R. 1989 No. 114 as amended by S.R. 1991 No. 115

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(L.S.)

J. McGrath

Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

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(L.S.)

R. Miller

Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Optical Charges and Payments Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 ("the principal regulations") which provide for payments to be made, by means of a voucher system, in respect of costs incurred by certain categories of persons in connection with the supply, replacement and repair of optical appliances.

Regulation 2 amends regulation 2 of the principal regulations to increase the amounts specified in relation to contact lenses and glasses supplied by a Board.