1992 No. 470

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

Made . 10th November 1992 Coming into operation . 11th December 1992

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 134(2) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals to make these regulations should not be referred to it(b), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 11th December 1992.
- (2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(c).
- (3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(d) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of regulation l of the principal regulations

- 2. In regulation 1 of the principal regulations (citation, commencement and interpretation)—
 - (a) in paragraph (2) for the definition of "Post Office postcode area" there shall be substituted the following definition—
 - " "postcode", except in the definition of "sector", includes a part of a postcode;";
 - (b) after paragraph (3) there shall be added the following paragraph—
 - "(4) In these regulations a reference to an identified Post Office postcode area or part of such an area or an identified sector of a Post Office postcode area or part of such an area is a reference to that part of

⁽b) See section 150(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8)
(c) S.R. 1988 No. 368; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1990 No. 132 and S.R. 1991 Nos. 464 and 487

⁽d) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

Northern Ireland which is identified by the postcode or sector's postcode in question in the postcode map published by Datamaps Ltd(a).".

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

- **3.** In regulation 2 of the principal regulations (prescribed circumstances)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1)(b) after "Post Office postcode area" there shall be inserted "or part of such an area";
 - (b) in paragraph (2)(a) after "Post Office postcode areas" there shall be inserted "or parts thereof";
 - (c) in paragraph (2)(b) after the words "Post Office postcode area", in both places where they occur, there shall be inserted "or part of such an area":
 - (d) in paragraphs (1) and (2) for the word "described", wherever it occurs, there shall be substituted "identified".

Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal regulations

- **4.** In Schedule 1 to the principal regulations (Post Office postcode areas assigned to designated National Climatological Message Stations)—
 - (a) for the entry "CARRIGANS" where it appears in Column (1), there shall be substituted "ST. ANGELO";
 - (b) for the heading of Column (2) there shall be substituted—
 "Identification of Post Office postcode areas or parts thereof".

Revocation

5. Schedule 2 to the principal regulations is hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 10th November 1992.

(L.S.) A. N. Burns
Assistant Secretary

⁽a) Map No. 63, year of publication 1991; the address of Datamaps Ltd. is Unit 1, 13 Wembley Commercial Centre, East Lane, Wembley, Middlesex, HA9 7XX

Social Security EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations further amend the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 to take account of a change in the definition of "Post Office postcode area" and a change of weather station.

The postcode map of Northern Ireland may be obtained from Datamaps Ltd.

A person may establish the postcode for his or her address by contacting any Post Office.

The enabling provisions under which these regulations are made were brought into operation on 1st July 1992 by section 173(4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992.