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SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Social Security (Claims and Payments)
(Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993**

Made : 30th April 1993

Coming into operation 12th May 1993

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 5(1)(j) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 12th May 1993.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(b) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations

2.—(1) The Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(c) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 21 (direct credit transfer)—

(a) in paragraph (3) at the beginning there shall be inserted “Subject to paragraph (3A),”;

(b) after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—
“(3A) Income support shall be paid in accordance with paragraph (1) within 7 days of the time determined for payment in accordance with Schedule 7.”;

(c) in paragraph (4) after “paragraph (3)” there shall be inserted “or (3A)”;

(d) in paragraph (6) after “family credit” there shall be inserted “unemployment benefit, income support, disability living allowance, disability working allowance,”.

(a) 1992 c. 8

(b) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

(c) S.R. 1987 No. 465; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1992 No. 83

(3) In regulation 26(1) (income support) at the beginning there shall be inserted "Subject to regulation 21 (direct credit transfer),".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 30th April 1993.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 ("the Claims and Payments Regulations") so as to extend the benefits prescribed in regulation 21(6) for which automated credit transfer may be used.

Regulation 2(2) amends regulation 21 of the Claims and Payments Regulations by inserting paragraph (3A) which provides for the time when income support paid by automated credit transfer shall be paid and makes consequential amendments to paragraphs (3) and (4).

Regulation 2(2)(d) amends regulation 21(6) of the Claims and Payments Regulations by adding unemployment benefit, income support, disability living allowance and disability working allowance to the benefits which may be paid by automated credit transfer.

Regulation 2(3) amends regulation 26(1) of the Claims and Payments Regulations in consequence of the addition of regulation 21(3A).

These regulations make in relation to Northern Ireland only provision corresponding to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Security in relation to Great Britain and accordingly, by virtue of section 149(3) of, and paragraph 10 of Schedule 5 to, the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8), are not subject to the requirement of section 149(2) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee.