
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 200

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Transitional Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Jobseeker's allowance to replace income support and unemployment benefit

6.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), a person whose award of income support or unemployment benefit, or income support and unemployment benefit, is terminated in accordance with regulations 1 to 5 shall be treated as having been awarded a jobseeker's allowance for a period commencing on the first day of the next benefit week to begin for that claimant on or after 7th October 1996 and continuing until such date as he fails to satisfy, or in respect of which he ceases to be treated as satisfying, any condition of entitlement to a jobseeker's allowance which applies in his case.

(2) A person whose award of income support is cancelled in accordance with regulation 4(2) shall be treated as having been awarded an income-based jobseeker's allowance as from the date the award of income support would have taken effect and continuing until such date as he fails to satisfy, or in respect of which he ceases to be treated as satisfying, any condition of entitlement to a jobseeker's allowance which applies in his case.

(3) A person—

- (a) to whom unemployment benefit was payable in respect of the relevant day;
- (b) to whom unemployment benefit was not payable in respect of either 6th or 7th April 1996, and
- (c) who had on the relevant day been entitled to unemployment benefit for 156 days or more (including the relevant day) in the period of interruption of employment which included the relevant day,

shall not be treated as entitled to a contribution-based jobseeker's allowance in accordance with paragraph (1).