
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Social Security (Back to Work Bonus)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Period of entitlement to a qualifying benefit

2.—(1) A period of entitlement to a qualifying benefit comprises only days on which a person is entitled to, or treated as entitled to a qualifying benefit.

(2) Subject to paragraph (4), any 2 or more periods of entitlement to a qualifying benefit separated by an intervening period specified in paragraph (3) shall link together to form a single period of entitlement to a qualifying benefit.

(3) The intervening periods specified in this paragraph are—

(a) any connecting period for the purposes of regulation 4;

(b) any period of not more than 12 weeks falling between—

(i) 2 periods of entitlement to a qualifying benefit;

(ii) 2 connecting periods;

(iii) a connecting period and a period of entitlement to a qualifying benefit.

(4) A period of entitlement to a qualifying benefit which would but for this paragraph have continued, shall end—

(a) where the applicant satisfies the work condition and claims a bonus, on the last day of entitlement to a qualifying benefit which precedes the day on which he first satisfies those requirements;

(b) where the person dies, on the date of his death.