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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1996 No. 358**

**The Social Security and Child Support (Jobseeker's Allowance) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

**Part II**

**Jobseeking**

**Laid off and short-time workers**

**6.** In regulation 17(2) of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (laid off and short-time workers)

- (a) at the beginning there shall be inserted "*(a)*";
- (b) for "in any week." there shall be substituted "in any week unless sub-paragraph *(b)* or *(c)* applies;"; and
- (c) after sub-paragraph *(a)* there shall be added the following sub-paragraphs—
  - "(b) the total number of hours for which a person kept on short-time works and is available for casual employment may be less than 40 in any week if that person has imposed restrictions on his availability which are reasonable in the light of his physical or mental condition;
  - (c) the total number of hours for which a person kept on short-time works and is available for casual employment may be less than 40 in any week if he has caring responsibilities providing the total number of hours for which he works and is available for casual employment is as many as his caring responsibilities allow and for the specific hours those responsibilities allow and is at least 16 in any week."