
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 320

**Race Relations (Interest on Awards)
Order (Northern Ireland) 1997**

Calculation of interest

6.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3)—

- (a) in the case of any sum awarded under the Order for injury to feelings, any interest included shall be for the period beginning on the date of the contravention or, as the case may be, the act of discrimination to which the award relates, and ending on the day of calculation (both dates inclusive);
- (b) in the case of all other sums of damages or compensation (other than any sum referred to in Article 7), and all arrears of remuneration awarded under the Order, interest shall be for the period beginning on the mid-point date and ending on the day of calculation (both dates inclusive).

(2) Where any payment has been made before the day of calculation to the complainant by or on behalf of the respondent in respect of any loss or matter to which an award under the Order relates, interest in respect of the corresponding part of the award shall be calculated as if the references in paragraph (1), and in the definition of “mid-point date” in Article 4, to the day of calculation were to the date on which the payment was made.

(3) Where a tribunal is of the opinion that, in relation to any award under the Order there are circumstances, whether relating to the case as a whole or to a particular sum in an award, which have the effect that serious injustice would be caused if interest were to be awarded in respect of the period or periods in paragraph (1) or (2), it may—

- (a) calculate interest, or as the case may be, interest on the particular sum for such different period; or
- (b) calculate interest for such different periods in respect of various sums in the award, as it considers appropriate in the circumstances, having regard to the provisions of this Order.