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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2000 No. 177**

**Local Government Pension Scheme  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000**

**Part G**

**Children's Pensions**

***Preliminary***

**Meaning of “eligible child”**

**G2.**—(1) For the purposes of these regulations a child is an eligible child of a deceased person who was in a local government employment when he died and was then a member or a former member, if he is—

- (a) the deceased's legitimate child born before the first anniversary of the member's or former member's death,
- (b) the deceased's adopted child,
- (c) the deceased's step-child or illegitimate child,
- (d) an adopted child of a person who has been married to the deceased, or
- (e) a child accepted by the deceased as a member of the family,

and, in the case of a child within paragraph (c), (d) or (e), is wholly or mainly dependent on the deceased at the time of his death.

(2) For the purposes of these regulations a child is an eligible child of a person who has died after becoming entitled to a retirement pension if—

- (a) he is a legitimate child of a marriage of the deceased which took place before the date on which he became entitled to the pension, and was born before the first anniversary of that date, or
- (b) he is a child adopted by the deceased before he became entitled to the pension, or
- (c) he is a child who was wholly or mainly dependent on the deceased both before he became entitled to the retirement pension and at the time of his death and is—
  - (i) the deceased's step-child or illegitimate child,
  - (ii) an adopted child of a person who married the deceased before he became entitled to the pension, or
  - (iii) a child accepted by the deceased as a member of the family.