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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2000 No. 47**

**The Social Security Benefits Up-rating  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 and shall come into operation on 10th April 2000.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, “the Up-rating Order” means the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2000(1).

**Exceptions relating to payment of additional benefit under awards made before the commencing date**

2. Section 135(3) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (effect of alteration of rates of benefit under Parts II to V of the Contributions and Benefits Act) shall not apply if a question arises as to either—

- (a) the weekly rate at which the benefit is payable by virtue of the Up-rating Order; or
- (b) whether the conditions for the receipt of the benefit at the altered rate are satisfied,

until that question has been determined.

**Persons not ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland**

3. Regulation 5 of the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978(2) (application of disqualification in respect of up-rating of benefit) shall apply to any additional benefit payable by virtue of the Up-rating Order.

**Amendment of the Social Security (General Benefit) Regulations**

4. In regulation 14 of the Social Security (General Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(3) (earnings level for the purpose of unemployability supplement) for “£3,016·00” there shall be substituted “£3,042·00”.

**Amendment of the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) (General) Regulations**

5. In regulation 17(2)(a) of the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995(4) (exempt work) for “£58·00” there shall be substituted “£58·50”.

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(1) S.R. 2000 No. 38

(2) S.R. 1978 No. 114; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1979 No. 392, S.R. 1988 No. 77, S.R. 1989 No. 373, S.R. 1990 No. 123, S.R. 1992 No. 330 and S.R. 1994 No. 269

(3) S.R. 1984 No. 92; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1999 No. 138

(4) S.R. 1995 No. 41; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1999 No. 138

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## Revocations

6. The Social Security Benefits Up-rating and Miscellaneous Increases Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999<sup>(5)</sup> and regulations 2 and 3 of the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999<sup>(6)</sup> are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 2nd March 2000.

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<sup>(5)</sup> S.R. 1999 No. 138  
<sup>(6)</sup> S.R. 1999 No. 139