

2002 No. 46

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

**Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges (Amendment)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002**

Made 15th February 2002

Coming into operation 9th April 2002

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 45, 98, 106 and 107(6) of, and paragraphs (1)(b) and 1B of Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b) and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel in so far as they relate to the remission of charges, and in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Personnel in so far as they relate to travelling expenses, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 and shall come into operation on 9th April 2002.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the principal Regulations” means the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(c).

Amendment of regulation 4 of the principal Regulations

2. In paragraphs (2)(c) and (g) of regulation 4 of the principal Regulations (description of persons entitled to full remission and payment) for “£71” there shall be substituted “£72·20”.

Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations

3. In Table A of Part I of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations (modification of provisions of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(d)) at the end of the entry relating to “regulation 53” the paragraph(e) “As if in paragraph 1A for “£10,000” on each occasion it

(a) See S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(6)
(b) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14); relevant amending Instruments are S.I. 1988/594 (N.I. 2) Article 14 and S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1) Article 34 and Part II of Schedule 5
(c) S.R. 1989 No. 348; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1993 No. 161, S.R. 1995 No. 138, S.R. 1996 Nos. 107 and 425, S.R. 1997 No. 185, S.R. 1999 No. 395, S.R. 2000 Nos. 102 and 339, and S.R. 2001 No. 104
(d) S.R. 1987 No. 459
(e) Paragraph added by regulation 5 of S.R. 2001 No. 104

appears there were substituted “£11,500” and as if for “£16,000” there were substituted “£18,500” shall be amended by substituting “(1A)” for “1A”.

Amendment of Schedule 1A to the principal Regulations

4.—(1) In paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of Schedule 1A(a) to the principal Regulations (Periods of Validity of Notices of Entitlement) for the word “student” on each occasion it appears there is substituted “full time student”.

(2) In the Note to Schedule 1A after the definition of “remunerative work” there is added—

“ “full time student” has the meaning assigned to it by regulation 61 of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 15th February 2002.

(L.S.)

D. J. Thompson

Senior Officer of the Department of
Health, Social Services and Public Safety

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel insofar as the foregoing Regulations relate to Travelling Expenses on 15th February 2002.

(L.S.)

R. Scott

Senior Officer of the Department of
Finance and Personnel

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Regulations insofar as they relate to the Remission of Charges.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 15th February 2002.

(L.S.)

R. Scott

Senior Officer of the Department of
Finance and Personnel

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989 (“the principal Regulations”), which provide for remission and repayment of certain charges which would otherwise be payable under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 and for the payment by the Department of travelling expenses incurred in attending a hospital.

Regulation 2 amends regulation 4 of the principal Regulations to increase the income level at which recipients of tax credits are entitled to remission from charges under the principal Regulations.

Regulation 3 is a small technical correction to a paragraph in Table A of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations.

Regulation 4 amends Schedule 1A to the principal Regulations so that the provisions governing the period of validity of a notice of entitlement to remission or payment of charges held by a student will relate only to full-time students.

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