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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2003 No. 261**

**The Social Security (Hospital In-Patients and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003**

**Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations**

5.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(1) shall be amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (6).

(2) In regulation 1(2F)(a)(2) (interpretation) for "6 weeks" there shall be substituted "52 weeks".

(3) In paragraphs 15A(2)(b)(ii) and (c) and 20IA(2) of Schedule 1(3) (applicable amounts) for "six weeks" there shall be substituted "52 weeks".

(4) In paragraph 17(7)(g) of Schedule 2 (housing costs) for "6 weeks", in both places where it occurs, there shall be substituted "52 weeks".

(5) In Schedule 4 (applicable amounts in special cases) –

(a) in paragraph 1 (person other than claimant who is a patient) for "6 weeks" there shall be substituted "52 weeks"; and

(b) in paragraph 15 (persons in residential accommodation) –

(i) in sub-paragraph (1) the words "Subject to sub-paragraph (2)," , and

(ii) sub-paragraph (2),

shall be omitted.

(6) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 4A(4) (applicable amounts of joint-claim couples in special cases) for "6 weeks", in both places where it occurs, there shall be substituted "52 weeks".

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(1) Relevant amending regulations are [S.R. 2000 Nos. 350 and 367](#) and [S.R. 2002 No. 132](#)

(2) Paragraph (2F) was inserted by paragraph 1(b) of Part II of the Schedule to [S.R. 2002 No. 132](#)

(3) Paragraphs 15A and 20IA were inserted respectively by regulation 4(c)(ii) and (v) of [S.R. 2000 No. 367](#)

(4) Schedule 4A was inserted by paragraph 57 of Schedule 2 to [S.R. 2000 No. 350](#)