

2007 No. 173

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

**Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 2007**

Made - - - - - *18th March 2007*

Coming into operation - *9th April 2007*

To be laid before Parliament

The Lord Chancellor makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 7(2), 22 and 27 of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and now vested in him(b):

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 and shall come into operation on 9th April 2007.

Revocation

2. The Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006(c) are hereby revoked.

Amendment to Schedule 2

3. For the table set out in Schedule 2 to the Legal Advice and Assistance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(d) there shall be substituted the following table –

<i>“Disposable Income Range</i>	<i>Maximum Contribution</i>
Exceeding £91 but not exceeding £98 a week	£7
Exceeding £98 but not exceeding £105 a week	£14
Exceeding £105 but not exceeding £112 a week	£21
Exceeding £112 but not exceeding £119 a week	£28
Exceeding £119 but not exceeding £126 a week	£35
Exceeding £126 but not exceeding £133 a week	£42
Exceeding £133 but not exceeding £140 a week	£49

(a) S.I. 1981/228 (N.I. 8); Article 27 is an interpretation provision and is recited because of the meaning assigned to the words “prescribed” and “regulations”

(b) S.I. 1982/159

(c) S.R. 2006 No. 193

(d) S.R. 1981 No. 366; to which the most recent relevant amendment was made by S.R. 2006 No. 193

<i>“Disposable Income Range</i>	<i>Maximum Contribution</i>
Exceeding £140 but not exceeding £147 a week	£56
Exceeding £147 but not exceeding £154 a week	£63
Exceeding £154 but not exceeding £161 a week	£70
Exceeding £161 but not exceeding £168 a week	£77
Exceeding £168 but not exceeding £175 a week	£84
Exceeding £175 but not exceeding £182 a week	£91
Exceeding £182 but not exceeding £189 a week	£98
Exceeding £189 but not exceeding £196 a week	£105
Exceeding £196 but not exceeding £203 a week	£112
Exceeding £203 but not exceeding £210 a week	£119
Exceeding £210 but not exceeding £215 a week	£124”

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

Dated 18th March 2007

Bridget Prentice
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Constitutional Affairs

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Legal Advice and Assistance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 so as to substitute a new scale of contributions payable for legal advice and assistance under Article 7(2) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.