
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2008 No. 503

The Social Security (Housing Costs Special Arrangements) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Housing Costs Special Arrangements) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008.

(2) Regulations 4 to 6, in so far as they relate to a particular person, shall come into operation on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that person on or after 5th January 2009.

(3) The remaining provisions of these Regulations shall come into operation on 5th January 2009.

(4) In these Regulations—

“benefit week” has the same meaning as in—

- (a) regulation 2(1)(1) of the Income Support Regulations(2), where the relevant benefit is income support;
- (b) regulation 1(2)(3) of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations(4), where the relevant benefit is a jobseeker’s allowance;
- (c) regulation 2(1) of the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations(5), where the relevant benefit is an employment and support allowance;

“the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations” means the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008;

“housing costs” has the same meaning as in paragraph 1(2) (housing costs) of—

- (a) Schedule 3(6) to the Income Support Regulations, where the relevant benefit is income support;
- (b) Schedule 2 to the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations, where the relevant benefit is a jobseeker’s allowance, and
- (c) Schedule 6 to the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations, where the relevant benefit is an employment and support allowance;

“the Income Support Regulations” means the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987;

(1) The definition of “benefit week” was amended by regulation 2(a) of S.R. 1988 No. 318
(2) S.R. 1987 No. 459; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1988 No. 318, S.R. 1995 No. 434, S.R. 1996 No. 199, S.R. 1997 No. 435, S.R. 1999 Nos. 315 and 472, S.R. 2001 Nos. 29, 78 and 406, S.R. 2002 No. 128, S.R. 2003 No. 191, S.R. 2004 No. 461, S.R. 2006 No. 359 and S.R. 2007 No. 475
(3) The definition of “benefit week” was amended by regulation 2(2) of S.R. 1996 No. 358, regulation 2(2)(a) of S.R. 1996 No. 503 and regulation 13(2) of S.R. 2006 No. 359
(4) S.R. 1996 No. 198; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1996 Nos. 356, 358 and 503, S.R. 1997 No. 435, S.R. 1999 Nos. 315 and 428 (C.32), S.R. 2000 No. 350, S.R. 2001 Nos. 29 and 406, S.R. 2002 No. 128, S.R. 2003 No. 191, S.R. 2004 No. 461, S.R. 2006 No. 359, S.R. 2007 No. 475 and S.R. 2008 No. 286
(5) S.R. 2008 No. 280; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2008 No. 413
(6) Schedule 3 was substituted by regulation 2 of S.R. 1995 No. 301

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Social Security (Housing Costs Special Arrangements) (Amendment and Modification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008, Section 1. (See end of Document for details)*

“the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations” means the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996;

“relevant benefit” means—

- (a) income support;
- (b) a jobseeker’s allowance;
- (c) an employment and support allowance;

“the State Pension Credit Regulations” means the State Pension Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003⁽⁷⁾.

(5) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954⁽⁸⁾ shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 1 in operation at 5.1.2009, see [reg. 1\(3\)](#)

(7) S.R. 2003 No. 28; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2004 No. 461 and S.R. 2007 No. 475
(8) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

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