
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2014 No. 150

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Schemes for Assisting Persons to Obtain Employment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014

PART 3

Hardship

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11.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 140 (meaning of “person in hardship”)—

- (a) in paragraph (1)(f)(i)(1) before “Article 21” insert “a jobseeker's allowance is not payable pursuant to regulations made under Article 19A of the Order (“work for your benefit” schemes etc.) or because”;
- (b) in paragraph (2)(2) for “or (4B)” substitute “, (4B) or (4C)”;
- (c) after paragraph (4B)(3) insert—

“4C) In paragraph (2), a “person in hardship” does not include a claimant who is required at that time to participate in a scheme prescribed in regulation 3 of the Jobseeker's Allowance (Schemes for Assisting Persons to Obtain Employment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014.”.

(3) In regulation 141(6)(4) (circumstances in which an income-based jobseeker's allowance is payable to a person in hardship) before “Article 21” insert “regulations made under Article 19A of the Order (“work for your benefit” schemes etc.)”.

Hardship for joint-claim couples

12.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 146A(5) (meaning of “couple in hardship”)—

- (a) in paragraph (2)(6) for “or (5A)” substitute “, (5A) or (5B)”;
- (b) after paragraph (5A)(7) insert—

(1) Paragraph (1)(f)(i) was amended by regulation 2(13) of S.R. 2012 No. 44
(2) Paragraph (2) was amended by Article 9(5)(i) of S.R. 1999 No. 428 (C. 32), paragraph 45(b) of Schedule 2 to, S.R. 2000 No. 350 and regulation 2(6)(a) of S.R. 2009 No. 141
(3) Paragraph (4B) was inserted by regulation 2(6)(c) of S.R. 2009 No. 141
(4) Regulation 141(6) was amended by regulation 2(14) of S.R. 2012 No. 44
(5) Regulation 146A was inserted by regulation 2(3) of S.R. 2000 No. 350
(6) Paragraph (2) was amended by regulation 2(8)(a) of S.R. 2009 No. 141
(7) Paragraph (5A) was inserted by regulation 2(8)(c) of S.R. 2009 No. 141

“(5B) In paragraph (2), a “couple in hardship” does not include a joint-claim couple either or both of whom are at that time required to participate in a scheme prescribed in regulation 3 of the Jobseeker’s Allowance (Schemes for Assisting Persons to Obtain Employment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014.”.

(3) In regulation 146C(6)(8) (circumstances in which a joint-claim jobseeker’s allowance is payable where a joint-claim couple is a couple in hardship) before “Article 22A(5)(a)” insert “regulations made under Article 19A of the Order (“work for your benefit” schemes etc.)”.

(8) Regulation 146C was inserted by regulation 2(3) of [S.R. 2000 No. 350](#) and paragraph (6) was amended by regulation 2(16) of [S.R. 2012 No. 44](#)