## 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

### 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(1) (meaning of "couple in hardship")-
  - (a) in paragraph (2)(2) for "or (5A)" substitute ", (5A) or (5B)"; and
  - (b) after paragraph (5A)(3) insert—

"(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)(4) (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.),".

<sup>(1)</sup> Regulation 146A was inserted by regulation 2(3) of S.R. 2000 No. 350

<sup>(2)</sup> Paragraph (2) was amended by regulation 2(8)(a) of S.R. 2009 No. 141

<sup>(3)</sup> Paragraph (5A) was inserted by regulation 2(8)(c) of S.R. 2009 No. 141

<sup>(4)</sup> 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