
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No. 411

**The Pensions (2015 Act) (Consequential, Supplementary
and Incidental Amendments) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015**

Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations

13.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996⁽¹⁾ are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 1(2) (citation, commencement and interpretation) in the definition of “the benefit Acts”⁽²⁾ for “and Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007” substitute “, Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007 and the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015;”.

(3) After paragraph 1A⁽³⁾ of Schedule 5 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) insert—

“**1B.** If the claimant's partner has been engaged in remunerative work as an employed earner or, had the employment been in Northern Ireland, would have been so engaged, any earnings paid or due to be paid on termination of that employment by way of retirement but only if—

- (a) on retirement the partner is entitled to a state pension under Part 1 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015, or
- (b) the only reason the partner is not entitled to a state pension under Part 1 of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 is because the partner does not have the minimum number of qualifying years.”.

(1) [S.R. 1996 No.198](#); relevant amending Regulations are [S.R. 2007 No. 396](#) and [S.R. 2008 No. 498](#)

(2) The definition of the “benefit Acts” was inserted by regulation 3(2)(a) of [S.R. 2008 No. 498](#)

(3) Paragraph 1 of Schedule 5 was substituted, and paragraph 1A was inserted by, regulation 7(13) of [S.R. 2007 No. 396](#)