

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

Housing costs element for renters

PART 5

Social rented sector ^{F1}...

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 4 Pt. 5 heading omitted (8.5.2018) by virtue of [The Universal Credit \(Persons Required to Provide Information, Miscellaneous Amendments and Saving and Transitional Provision\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2018 \(S.R. 2018/92\)](#), regs. 1(2), **6(19)(f)** (with reg. 10(1))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 4 Pt. 5 applied by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I. 1\)](#), art. 137A(2)(c) (as inserted (13.10.2016) by [The Welfare Reform and Work \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/999 \(N.I. 1\)\)](#), arts. 2(2)(d), **19(2)**)

Reduction in certain cases of amounts to be taken into account

Relevant payments excessive

31. Where it appears to the Department that—

- (a) the amount of any relevant payment for which the renter is liable in respect of accommodation occupied by the renter is greater than it is reasonable to meet by way of the housing costs element under this Part, and
- (b) the amount of the relevant payment that, at the time of the calculation under this Part, a landlord might reasonably have expected to obtain is a lower amount,

the lower amount is to be used in making the calculation under this Part instead of the amount of the relevant payment for which the renter is liable, unless the Department is satisfied that it is not appropriate to use that lower amount.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016, Paragraph 31.