
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The provisions contained in these Regulations are consequential upon, or supplementary to, provisions in Part 5 of the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I. 1)).

Regulation 2 makes provision for adjusting personal independence payment where medical expenses are paid from public funds under war pensions instruments.

Regulation 3 provides exemptions to Regulation 2.

Regulation 4 amends the Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 to provide that persons who score at least 8 points on the “moving around” activity of the assessment for the mobility component of personal independence payment may be issued with a badge in accordance with those Regulations. A further amendment also provides that the period of issue of a badge shall end on the date when the badge holder will cease to receive personal independence payment, where this is less than three years from the date of issue.

Regulations 5 to 41 ensure that appropriate references to personal independence payment are inserted to both primary and secondary legislation where there are references to disability living allowance.

An assessment of the impact of this instrument has been carried out. Copies of the impact assessment may be obtained from the Better Regulation Unit of the Department for Work and Pensions, 2D Caxton House, Tothill Street, London SW1 9NA. It is also available alongside this instrument and the Explanatory Memorandum on www.legislation.gov.uk.