STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 56

The Social Security (Information-sharing in relation to Welfare Services etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

PART 4

INFORMATION-SHARING IN RELATION TO RATES UNDER ARTICLES 121 TO 123 OF THE 2015 ORDER

Supply of relevant information by the Department

- **12.** The purposes prescribed under Article 121(1) of the 2015 Order in relation to rates (purposes for which the Department or a person providing services to the Department may supply relevant information to a qualifying person) are—
 - (a) making a rate relief scheme;
 - (b) determining a person's entitlement or continued entitlement to a reduction in rates under a rate relief scheme;
 - (c) preventing, detecting, securing evidence of, or prosecuting the commission of, offence relating to a reduction in rates.

Holding purposes

- 13. The purposes prescribed under Article 121(3) of the 2015 Order in relation to rates as purposes for which relevant information must be held by a qualifying person in order for them to use or supply it as set out in that paragraph, are—
 - (a) making a rate relief scheme;
 - (b) determining a person's entitlement or continued entitlement to a reduction in rates under a rate relief scheme.
 - (c) preventing, detecting, securing evidence of, or prosecuting the commission of, an offence relating to a reduction in rates.

Using purposes

- **14.**—(1) This regulation applies to relevant information held by a qualifying person for any purpose listed in regulation 13.
 - (2) The purposes set out in paragraph (3) are prescribed—
 - (a) under Article 121(3)(a) of the 2015 Order as a purpose for which the information may be used by that qualifying person; and
 - (b) under Article 121(3)(b) of the 2015 Order as a purpose for use in relation to which the information may be supplied by that qualifying person to another qualifying person.
 - (3) The purposes are any purposes connected with—

- (a) making a rate relief scheme;
- (b) determining a person's entitlement or continued entitlement to a reduction in rates under a rate relief scheme.
- (c) preventing, detecting, securing evidence of, or prosecuting the commission of, an offence relating to a reduction in rates;
- (d) any proceedings in connection with a reduction in rates made under Article 30A of the Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 1977;
- (e) the purposes referred to in regulation 6(1)(a)(i) or (iii), (b) or (c).