
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2017 No. 145

**The Universal Credit (Benefit Cap Earnings Exception)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

Exception to the application of the benefit cap – earnings

2.—(1) The Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) Before regulation 7(2)(a) (rounding) insert—

“(za) regulation 82(1)(a) (exceptions – earnings);”.

(3) In regulation 82 (exceptions – earnings)—

(a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£430” substitute “the amount of earnings that a person would be paid at the hourly rate set out in regulation 4 of the National Minimum Wage Regulations 2015⁽¹⁾ for 16 hours per week, converted to a monthly amount by multiplying by 52 and dividing by 12”;

(b) in paragraph (3) for “exceeded the amount mentioned in paragraph (1)(a)”, substitute—
“exceeded—

(a) in any month beginning before 1st April 2017, £430; and

(b) in any other case, the amount calculated in accordance with paragraph (1)(a).”.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2015/621; Regulation 4 was substituted by regulation 3 of S.I. 2016/68