
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2017 No. 187

**The Social Security Benefits Up-rating
(No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

PART 3

INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

Housing benefit

21.—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit Regulations shall be the sums set out in this Article and Schedules 5 and 6 to this Order; and for this purpose a reference in this Article to a numbered regulation or Schedule is a reference to the regulation of, or Schedule to, the Housing Benefit Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulation B14(3)(1) (determination of a maximum rent (social sector))—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) 14% remains the same; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) 25% remains the same.

(3) In regulation 24(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis) the sums of £175·00 and £300·00 remain the same.

(4) In regulation 72(2) (non-dependant deductions)—

- (a) in paragraph (1) for “£94·50” and “£14·65” substitute “£95·45” and “£14·80” respectively; and
- (b) in paragraph (2)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£133·00” substitute “£136·00”,
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£133·00”, “£195·00” and “£33·65” substitute “£136·00”, “£200·00” and “£34·00” respectively,
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£195·00”, “£253·00” and “£46·20” substitute “£200·00”, “£259·00” and “£46·65” respectively,
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (d) for “£253·00”, “£338·00” and “£75·60” substitute “£259·00”, “£346·00” and “£76·35” respectively, and
 - (v) in sub-paragraph (e) for “£338·00”, “£420·00” and “£86·10” substitute “£346·00”, “£430·00” and “£86·95” respectively.

(5) In Schedule 1(3) (ineligible service charges)—

- (a) in paragraph 2 for “£26·85”, “£26·85”, “£13·60”, “£17·85”, “£17·85”, “£9·00” and “£3·30” substitute “£27·10”, “£27·10”, “£13·75”, “£18·05”, “£18·05”, “£9·10” and “£3·35” respectively; and

(1) Regulation B14 was inserted by regulation 5(7) of [S.R. 2016 No. 326](#)

(2) Regulation 72(1) and (2) was amended by Article 20(3) of [S.R. 2012 No. 116](#) and regulation 5 of [S.R. 2016 No. 110](#)

(3) Paragraphs 2 and (6) were amended by Article 19(4) of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)

(b) in paragraph 6(2) the sums of £28·80, £3·35, £2·30 and £3·35 respectively remain the same.

(6) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part I of Schedule 4 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 3(1) of Part II of Schedule 4(4) (applicable amounts: family premium) the sums of £22·20 and £17·45 remain the same.

(8) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 4 (applicable amounts: amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 6 to this Order.

(9) In paragraph 26 of Part VI of Schedule 4(5) (amount of components) for “£36·20” substitute “£36·55”.

(10) In paragraph 17(1) and (3)(c) of Schedule 5(6) (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) the sum of £17·10 remains the same.

(11) In paragraph 58 of Schedule 6(7) (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) the sum of £17·10 remains the same.

(4) Part II of Schedule 4 was omitted by regulation 3(1)(c) of [S.R. 2016 No. 310](#) and regulation 5 of that instrument makes transitional arrangements in connection with the abolition of the family premium; paragraph 3(1) was amended by regulation 19(7)(a) of [S.R. 2011 No. 357](#) and Article 19(6) of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)

(5) Part VI was added by regulation 3(17)(d) of [S.R. 2008 No. 378](#) and amended by Article 19(8) of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)

(6) Paragraph 17(1) and (3)(c) was amended by regulation 2(6)(b) of [S.R. 2009 No. 382](#) and Article 19(9) of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)

(7) Paragraph 58 was amended by Article 19(10) of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)