STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2018 No. 58

The Social Security Benefits Uprating Order (Northern Ireland) 2018

PART 3

INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

Housing benefit for certain persons over the qualifying age for state pension credit

24.—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations shall be the sums set out in this Article and Schedules 6 and 7 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, a reference in this Article to a numbered regulation or Schedule is a reference to the regulation of, or Schedule to, the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulation 28(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis) the sums of $\pounds 175.00$ and $\pounds 300$ remain the same.

- (3) In regulation 53(1) (non-dependent deductions)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1) for "£95·45" and "£14·80" substitute "£98·30" and "£15·25" respectively; and
 - (b) in paragraph (2)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (a) for "£136.00" substitute "£139.00",
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b) for "£136.00", "£200.00" and "£34.00" substitute "£139.00", "£204.00" and "£35.00" respectively,
 - (iii) in sub-paragraph (c) for "£200.00", "£259.00" and "£46.65" substitute "£204.00", "£265.00" and "£48.05" respectively,
 - (iv) in sub-paragraph (d) for "£259.00", "£346.00" and "£76.35" substitute "£265.00", "£354.00" and "£78.65" respectively, and
 - (v) in sub-paragraph (e) for "£346.00", "£430.00" and "£86.95" substitute "£354.00", "£439.00" and "£89.55" respectively.
- (4) In Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges)-
 - (a) in paragraph 2(2) for "£27·10", "£17·10", "£13·75", "£18·05", "£18·05", "£9·10" and "£3·35" substitute "£27·90", "£17·90", "£14·15", "£18·60", "£18·60", "£9·35" and "£3·45" respectively; and
 - (b) in paragraph 6(2) for the sums "£28.80", "£3.35", "£2.30" and "£3.35" substitute "£30.30", "£3.50", "£2.40" and "£3.50" respectively.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation 53(1) and (2) was amended by Article 21(3) of S.R. 2012 No. 116 and Article 22(3) of S.R. 2018 No. 56

⁽²⁾ Paragraphs 2 and 6(2) were amended by Article 22(4) of S.R. 2018 No. 56

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

(6) In paragraph 3(1) of Part II of Schedule 4(3) (applicable amounts: family premium) the sum of ± 17.45 remains the same.

(7) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 4 (applicable amounts: amounts of premiums specified in Part III) shall be as set out in Schedule 7 to this Order.

(8) In paragraph 9(1) and (3)(c) of Schedule 5(4) (sums disregarded from claimant's earnings) the sum of £17.10 remains the same.

(9) In paragraph 22 of Schedule 6(5) (amounts to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) the sum of £17.10 remains the same.

⁽³⁾ Part II of Schedule 4 was omitted by regulation 3(2)(b) 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 Article 22(6) of S.R. 2018 No. 56

⁽⁴⁾ Paragraph 9 was amended by Article 22(8) of S.R. 2018 No. 56

⁽⁵⁾ Paragraph 22 was amended by regulation 6(6)(d) of S.R. 2008 No. 498 and Article 22(9) of S.R. 2018 No. 56