
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2020 No. 40

**The Social Security Benefits Up-
rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2020**

PART 4

JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE

Age-related amounts of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance

26. In regulation 79(1) of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996(1) (weekly amounts of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) for "£57.90" substitute "£58.90"; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (c) for "£73.10" substitute "£74.35".

Applicable amounts for jobseeker's allowance

27.—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996(2) shall be the sums set out in this Article and Schedules 8 to 10 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 Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996 bearing that number.

(2) In—

- (a) regulations 83(b), 84(1)(c) and 85(1)(3); and
- (b) paragraphs 15A(2)(a) and 16(2)(a) of Part III of Schedule 1(4),

the sum specified is in each case £3,000 (which remains the same).

(3) In Part I of Schedule 1(5) (applicable amounts: personal allowances)—

- (a) the sums specified in paragraph 1 shall be as set out in Schedule 8 to this Order; and
- (b) in paragraph 2(1), in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of column (2) of the table for "£66·90" substitute "£68.27".

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- (1) Regulation 79(1) was amended by Article 21 of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#) and regulation 4(9) of [S.R. 2017 No. 116](#)
 - (2) *See* [S.R. 2003 No. 195](#) which omits provisions relating to children and young persons and makes transitional arrangements in connection with the introduction of child tax credit
 - (3) Regulations 83(b) and 84(1)(c) were omitted but remain in effect for certain cases, and regulation 85(1) was amended, by Schedule 2 to [S.R. 2003 No. 195](#) and regulation 7 of that instrument makes transitional arrangements in connection with the introduction of child tax credit. Regulation 85(1) was also amended by regulation 4(5)(a) of [S.R. 2003 No. 267](#). *See also* regulation 5 of [S.R. 2017 No. 79](#)
 - (4) Paragraph 15A was inserted by regulation 4(c)(ii) of [S.R. 2000 No. 367](#) and sub-paragraph (2) was substituted by regulation 3(8)(e) of [S.R. 2007 No. 154](#) and paragraph 16 was omitted by paragraph 20(a) of Schedule 2 to [S.R. 2003 No. 195](#) but remains in operation by virtue of regulation 1 of that Rule and was substituted by regulation 3(8)(f) of [S.R. 2007 No. 154](#) and sub-paragraph (2) was amended by regulation 7(7)(b)(iii) of [S.R. 2011 No. 135](#), Article 17(7)(e)(ii) of [S.I. 2013/3021](#) and paragraph 14(7)(e)(ii) of [S.R. 2016 No. 228](#). *See also* regulation 5 of [S.R. 2017 No. 79](#)
 - (5) Paragraph 2 was amended by Article 24(3) of [S.R. 2019 No. 188](#)

(4) In paragraph 4(1) of Part II of Schedule 1(6) (applicable amounts: family premium) for the sum of £17·45, in both places, substitute “£17·60”.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 1 (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 9 to this Order.

(6) The sums specified in Part IVB of Schedule 1 (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums for joint-claim couples) shall be as set out in Schedule 10 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 10(4) of Schedule 2(7) (general provisions applying to housing costs) as it has effect in a case falling within regulation 20 of the Loans for Mortgage Interest Regulations the sum of £100,000 remains the same.

(8) In paragraph 17 of Schedule 2(8) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1) for “£100·65” and “£15·60” substitute “£102·35” and “£15·85” respectively; and

(b) in sub-paragraph (2)—

(i) in head (a) for “£143·00” substitute “£149·00”,

(ii) in head (b) for “£143·00”, “£209·00” and “£35·85” substitute “£149·00”, “£217·00” and “£36·45” respectively,

(iii) in head (c) for “£209·00”, “£272·00” and “£49·20” substitute “£217·00”, “£283·00” and “£50·05” respectively,

(iv) in head (d) for “£272·00”, “£363·00” and “£80·55” substitute “£283·00”, “£377·00” and “£81·90” respectively, and

(v) in head (e) for “£363·00”, “£451·00” and “£91·70” substitute “£377·00”, “£469·00” and “£93·25” respectively.

Prescribed sum for the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996

28. In regulation 170 of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996(9) (trade disputes: prescribed sum) for “£40·50” substitute “£41·00”.

Amounts for the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 2016

29. In regulation 49 of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 2016 (weekly amounts of jobseeker’s allowance)—

(a) in paragraph (1)(a) for “£57·90” substitute “£58·90”; and

(b) in paragraph (1)(b) for “£73·10” substitute “£74·35”.

(6) Paragraph 4(1) was amended by regulation 9(4)(a) of [S.R. 1996 No. 288](#), regulation 10(a) of [S.R. 1998 No. 112](#) and Article 24(4) of [S.R. 2019 No. 188](#). See also regulation 7 of [S.R. 2003 No. 195](#) and regulation 5 of [S.R. 2017 No. 79](#)

(7) See [S.R. 2008 No. 503](#) which modifies paragraph 10(4) so that it applies as if the reference to “£100,000” were to “£200,000” in relation to certain persons

(8) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) were amended by regulation 3 of [S.R. 1997 No. 3](#), Article 9(5)(l) of [S.R. 1999 No. 428 \(C. 32\)](#), regulation 5(b)(i) of [S.R. 2004 No. 394](#) and Article 24(8) of [S.R. 2019 No. 188](#)

(9) Regulation 170 was amended by Article 23 of [S.R. 2015 No. 124](#)