Regulations made by the Department for Communities and laid before the Assembly under section 51(3) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 for approval of the Assembly before the expiration of six months from the date of their coming into operation

## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2022 No. 144

## SOCIAL SECURITY

## The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022

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The Department for Communities makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 70(8), 90, 113(1)(a) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(1), sections 5(1)(q), 135(3) and 165(1), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(2) and now vested in it(3) and sections 20(1) and 51(6) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015(4).

These Regulations contain provisions in consequence of an order under sections 132 and 132A of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(5).

<sup>(1) 1992</sup> c. 7; section 90 was amended by paragraph 25 of Schedule 8 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11)), Article 2(2) of S.R. 2002 No. 321 and Schedule 6 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21) (see also Article 2 of S.R. 2003 No. 212) and was repealed by Schedule 4 to the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (c. 13 (N.I.)) subject to saving in section 14(2) of that Act, section 113(1) was amended by paragraph 92 of Schedule 24 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004 (c. 33) and section 171(1) was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)

<sup>(2) 1992</sup> c. 8; section 165(1) was amended by paragraph 49(2) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/671) and section 18(5) of the National Insurance Contributions Act 2014 (c. 7)

<sup>(3)</sup> See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481 and section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 5 (N.I.))

<sup>(4) 2015</sup> c. 5 (N.I.)

<sup>(5)</sup> Section 132 was amended by paragraph 41 of Schedule 7 to the Pension Schemes (Northern Ireland) Act 1993 (c. 49), paragraph 9 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21), section 3(1) and (2) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2012 (c. 3 (N.I.)), regulation 2(2) of S.R. 2012 No. 120 and paragraph 55 of Schedule 13 to the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 5 (N.I.)) and section 132A was inserted by section 5(1) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (c. 1 (N.I.))