#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2022 No. 263

# The Education (Student Support, etc.) (Amendment) (No.3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022

#### PART 1

#### Introductory

#### Citation, commencement and application

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as The Education (Student Support, etc.) (Amendment) (No.3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022.
  - (2) These Regulations come into operation on 16th November 2022.
- (3) The following provisions apply in relation to the provision of support to a student in relation to an academic year which begins on or after 1st August 2023, whether or not anything done under these Regulations is done before, on or after that date—
  - (a) regulations 3 and 4;
  - (b) regulation 7, 8 and the Schedule.
- (4) In paragraph (3) an "academic year" is the period of twelve months beginning with 1st January, 1st April, 1st July or 1st September of the calendar year in which the academic year of the course in question begins, according to whether the academic year of the course in question begins—
  - (a) on or after 1st January and before 1st April;
  - (b) on or after 1st April and before 1st July;
  - (c) on or after 1st July and before 1st August; or
  - (d) on or after 1st August and on or before 31st December.

#### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)

#### Interpretation

- 2. In these Regulations
  - (a) "the 2009 Regulations" means the Education (Student Support) (No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009(1).

<sup>(1)</sup> S.R. 2009 No. 373, amended by S.R.s 2010 No. 383, 2012 Nos. 62 and 398, 2013 Nos. 128 and 223, 2014 Nos. 97 and 309, 2016 No. 21, 2017 Nos. 7 and 43, 2018 No. 35, 2019 Nos.35 and 102, 2020 No. 79, 2021 Nos. 50, 85 and 260 and 2022 No 75 and 201.

- (b) "the 2007 Regulations" means The Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007(2).
- (c) "the 2005 Regulations" means The Student Fees (Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 (3)

#### **Commencement Information**

**I2** Reg. 2 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)

#### PART 2

#### CHAPTER 1

Amendment of the Student Fees (Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

#### Amendment to the 2005 Regulations

- 3. In regulation 3 (Prescribed basic and higher amounts)—
  - (a) for "£1,825" substitute "£1,855"; and
  - (b) for "£4,630" substitute "£4,710".
- **4.** In regulation 4 (Prescribed basic and higher amounts for specified courses)—
  - (a) for "£890" substitute "£905"; and
  - (b) for "£2,300" substitute "£2,340".

#### **Commencement Information**

- **I3** Reg. 3 in operation at 16.11.2022, see **reg. 1(2)**
- **I4** Reg. 4 in operation at 16.11.2022, see **reg. 1(2)**

#### **CHAPTER 2**

### **Graduate Entry Courses**

#### Amendments to the 2007 Regulations

- **5.** In regulation 2(4), in the appropriate place insert—
  - ""graduate entry course" means a "graduate entry dentistry course", "graduate entry medicine course", "graduate entry social work course" or a "graduate entry veterinary course".
  - "graduate entry dentistry course" means a course—
  - (a) the standard of which is not higher than a first degree which leads to qualification as a dentist, and

<sup>(2)</sup> S.R. 2007 No. 328 was amended by Order 2011/1043. S.R.s 2007 No. 375, 2011 Nos. 70 and 376, 2013 No. 37, 2019 No. 35, 2020 No. 79, 2021 Nos. 50, 85 and 260 and 2022 No 75 and 201.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.R. 2005 No. 290 as amended by S.R. 2006 No. 455, S.R. 2007 No. 442, S.R. 2008 No. 455, S.R. 2009 No. 400, S.R 2011 Nos. 1 and 369, S.R. 2012 No. 184, S.R. 2013 No. 120, S.R. 2014 No. 116, S.R. 2015 No. 243, S.R. 2016 No. 354, S.R. 2017 No. 104, S.R. 2018 No. 105, S.R. 2019 No. 102, S.R. 2020 No. 98 and S.R. 2022 No. 260.

<sup>(4)</sup> Regulation 2 was amended by S.R. 2011 no. 376.

(b) where a first degree or equivalent qualification would normally be required for entry to the course.

"graduate entry medicine course" means a course—

- (a) the standard of which is not higher than a first degree which leads to qualification as a medical doctor, and
- (b) where a first degree or equivalent qualification would normally be required for entry to the course.

"graduate entry social work course" means a course—

- (a) the standard of which is not higher than a first degree which leads to qualification as a social worker, and
- (b) where a first degree or equivalent qualification would normally be required for entry to the course.

"graduate entry veterinary course" means a course—

- (a) the standard of which is not higher than a first degree which leads to qualification as a veterinary surgeon, and
- (b) where a first degree or equivalent qualification would normally be required for entry to the course;".
- **6.** In regulation 5(**5**) (prescribed description of a qualifying person) after paragraph 3 insert— "(3A) Paragraph (2) does not apply where the qualifying course is a graduate entry

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#### **Commencement Information**

- **I5** Reg. 5 in operation at 16.11.2022, see **reg. 1(2)**
- **I6** Reg. 6 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)

#### **CHAPTER 3**

#### Amendments to Loan Amounts

#### Amendments to the 2009 Regulations

- 7. In Regulation 66 (current system students with full entitlement) for paragraph (4) substitute—
  - "(4) "the maintenance grant amount" is, unless otherwise stated,—
    - (i) where the student qualifies under Chapter 6 of Part 5 for an amount of maintenance grant not exceeding £1,318, the amount of maintenance grant payable;
    - (ii) where the student qualifies under regulation 58(2) for an amount of maintenance grant exceeding £1,318 but less than £1,738, £1,625 less £1 in every complete £12.32 by which the household exceeds £19,203;
    - (iii) where the student qualifies under regulation 58(2) for an amount of maintenance grant of £1,738, £1,625;
    - (iv) where the student qualifies under regulation 58(3) for an amount of maintenance grant exceeding £1,318 but less than £3,475, £2,642 less £1 in every complete £7.42 by which the household income exceeds £19,203;

- (v) where the student qualifies under regulation 58(4) for an amount of maintenance grant exceeding £1,318 but less than £1,738, £1,550 less £1 in every complete £16.45 by which the household exceeds £19,203;
- (vi) where the student qualifies under regulation 58(5) for an amount of maintenance grant exceeding £1,318 but less than £3,475, £2,115 less £1 in every complete £12.32 by which the household income exceeds £19,203;
- (vii) where the student qualifies under Chapter 6 of Part 5 for an amount of maintenance grant of £3,475, £2,115; and
- (viii) where no maintenance grant is payable, nil."
- **8.** The Schedule to these Regulations has effect to substitute the figure in the third column of the table for the figure in the second column where that figure appears in the provision of the Education (Student Support) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 set out in the first column.

#### **Commencement Information**

- I7 Reg. 7 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)
- **I8** Reg. 8 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)

#### **CHAPTER 5**

#### Miscellaneous

- **9.** In Schedule 6(6) to the 2009 Regulations (Relevant Institutions of Higher Education in the Republic of Ireland)—
  - (a) add "Atlantic Technological University";
  - (b) after "Maynooth University" add "South East Technological University";

#### **Commencement Information**

**I9** Reg. 9 in operation at 16.11.2022, see reg. 1(2)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for the Economy on 25th October 2022.



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<sup>(6)</sup> Schedule 6 was amended by S.R.s 2013 No. 223, 2014 No. 309, 2016 No. 21, 2017 No. 43, 2019 No.35, 2020 No. 79 and S.R. 2021 No. 50.

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Education (Student Support, etc.)
(Amendment) (No.3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2022.