
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2023 No. 97

**The Social Security (Income and Capital Disregards)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023**

Amendment of the Social Security (Recovery of Benefits) Regulations

9.—(1) The Social Security (Recovery of Benefits) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997(1) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) In regulation 2 (exempted trusts and payments), after paragraph (2)(s) add—

“(t) any payment made for the purpose of providing compensation or support in respect of the fire on 14th June 2017 at Grenfell Tower;

(u) any payment made by the Post Office or the Secretary of State for the purpose of providing compensation or support which is—

(i) in connection with the failings of the Horizon system, or

(ii) otherwise payable following the judgment in *Bates and Others v Post Office Limited* ((No. 3) “Common Issues”)(2).”;

(3) After paragraph (2) add—

“(3) In this regulation—

“the Horizon system” means any version of the computer system used by the Post Office known as Horizon, Horizon Legacy, Horizon Online or HNG-X;

“the Post Office” means Post Office Limited (registered number 02154540).”.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 9 in operation at 9.7.2023, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

(1) S.R. 1997 No. 429

(2) [2019] EWHC 606 (QB)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Social Security (Income and Capital Disregards) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023, Section 9.