STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2024 No. 47

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024

Made - - - 8th March 2024
Affirmed by resolution of the
Assembly on 19th March 2024
Coming into operation in accordance with
regulation 1(1)

The Department for Communities makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 3(3), 4(3) and 11(1) and (4) of the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979(1) and now vested in it(2).

Citation, commencement and application

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2024 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2024 or the day after they are affirmed by resolution of the Assembly if later.
- (2) These Regulations apply only in relation to any case in which a person first satisfies the conditions of entitlement to a payment under the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 on or after the day on which these Regulations come into operation.

Amendment of the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations

2.—(1) The Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(**3**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4).

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 1979/925 (N.I. 9); Articles 3 and 4 were amended by Article 22(a) and (b) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/1209 (N.I. 16)), paragraph 17(2) to (4) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)) and paragraphs 4 and 5 of Schedule 2 to the Mesothelioma Act 2014 (c. 1); Article 3 was amended by section 52(3) of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007 (c.2 (N.I.)) and Article 4 was amended by Part 6 of Schedule 12 to the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I. 1))

⁽²⁾ See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481, the Department for Employment and Learning Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 15 (N.I.)), Article 3 of S.R. 2006 No. 192 and section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 5 (N.I.))

⁽³⁾ S.R. 1988 No. 242; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2008 No. 352 and S.R. 2021 No. 55

- (2) In regulation 5(2) (payment where death results from diffuse mesothelioma) and regulation 7 (minimum amount payable to dependant) for "£3,322" substitute "£4,024".
- (3) In regulation 6(1)(a) (payment where pneumoconiosis is accompanied by tuberculosis) for "£6,872" substitute "£8,324".
 - (4) In the Schedule—
 - (a) for Table 1, after the preamble, substitute the Table set out in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations; and
 - (b) in Table 2 for Parts A and B substitute Parts A and B set out in Part 2 of the Schedule to these Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Communities on 8th March 2024

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David Tarr
A senior officer of the Department for
Communities

SCHEDULE

Regulation (2)4

PART 1

"Table 1

| Age | | | Perc | entage as | sessment | for the r | elevant p | eriod | | |
|-------------------|---------------|--------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| of | 10% | 11% - | 21% - | 31% - | 41% - | 51% - | 61% - | 71% - | 81% - | 91% - |
| disable person | a or under | 20% | 30% | 40% | 50% | 60% | 70% | 80% | 90% | 100% |
| 1 | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 37 or | | | | | | | | | | |
| under | 46,569 | 83,166 | 97,575 | 100,350 | 103,120 | 105,337 | 107,556 | 109,774 | 111,989 | 114,210 |
| 38 | 45,238 | 79,833 | 94,636 | 98,024 | 100,899 | 103,120 | 105,337 | 107,556 | 109,774 | 111,989 |
| 39 | 43,907 | 76,507 | 91,699 | 95,692 | 98,688 | 100,610 | 103,120 | 105,337 | 107,556 | 109,774 |
| 40 | 42,581 | 73,177 | 88,761 | 93,360 | 96,461 | 98,684 | 100,899 | 103,120 | 105,337 | 107,558 |
| 41 | 41,248 | 69,856 | 85,827 | 91,026 | 94,252 | 96,461 | 98,684 | 100,899 | 103,120 | 105,337 |
| 42 | 39,909 | 66,534 | 82,882 | 88,711 | 92,034 | 94,252 | 96,461 | 98,684 | 100,899 | 103,120 |
| 43 | 37,923 | 62,645 | 79,946 | 86,933 | 90,484 | 93,145 | 95,359 | 97,575 | 99,794 | 102,015 |
| 44 | 35,922 | 58,766 | 77,002 | 85,162 | 88,929 | 92,034 | 94,252 | 96,461 | 98,684 | 100,899 |
| 45 | 33,931 | 54,886 | 74,067 | 83,384 | 87,379 | 90,919 | 93,145 | 95,359 | 97,575 | 99,794 |
| 46 | 31,935 | 51,010 | 71,133 | 81,613 | 85,827 | 89,819 | 92,034 | 94,252 | 96,461 | 98,684 |
| 47 | 29,941 | 47,125 | 68,190 | 79,833 | 84,274 | 88,711 | 90,919 | 93,145 | 95,359 | 97,575 |
| 48 | 28,220 | 45,573 | 65,868 | 76,289 | 81,613 | 85,598 | 87,822 | 90,039 | 92,250 | 94,476 |
| 49 | 26,501 | 44,021 | 63,538 | 72,740 | 78,953 | 82,494 | 84,713 | 86,933 | 89,152 | 91,373 |
| 50 | 24,782 | 42,469 | 61,252 | 69,193 | 76,289 | 79,389 | 81,613 | 83,827 | 86,041 | 88,262 |
| 51 | 23,064 | 40,916 | 58,877 | 65,641 | 73,623 | 76,289 | 78,526 | 80,719 | 82,942 | 85,162 |
| 52 | 21,344 | 39,362 | 56,550 | 62,093 | 70,960 | 73,177 | 75,406 | 77,619 | 79,833 | 82,048 |
| 53 | 19,735 | 36,596 | 52,999 | 58,990 | 68,302 | 70,960 | 73,177 | 75,406 | 77,619 | 79,833 |
| 54 | 18,128 | 33,822 | 49,450 | 55,893 | 65,641 | 68,751 | 70,960 | 73,177 | 75,406 | 77,619 |
| 55 | 16,526 | 31,051 | 45,910 | 52,779 | 62,979 | 66,534 | 68,751 | 70,960 | 73,177 | 75,406 |
| 56 | 14,912 | 28,274 | 42,358 | 49,676 | 60,321 | 64,310 | 66,534 | 68,751 | 70,960 | 73,177 |
| 57 | 13,308 | 25,500 | 38,811 | 46,569 | 57,669 | 62,095 | 64,310 | 66,534 | 68,751 | 70,960 |
| 58 | 12,250 | 23,176 | 34,656 | 41,797 | 51,891 | 55,997 | 58,380 | 60,712 | 62,980 | 65,197 |
| 59 | 11,198 | 20,845 | 30,491 | 37,037 | 46,125 | 49,895 | 52,445 | 54,886 | 57,215 | 59,428 |
| 60 | 10,150 | 18,515 | 26,335 | 32,266 | 40,365 | 43,799 | 46,509 | 49,068 | 51,453 | 53,670 |
| 61 | 9,091 | 16,186 | 22,181 | 27,499 | 34,594 | 37,700 | 40,580 | 43,247 | 45,685 | 47,902 |
| 62 | 8,038 | 13,860 | 18,018 | 22,728 | 28,830 | 31,601 | 34,656 | 37,427 | 39,909 | 42,137 |
| | | | | | 3 | | | | | |

| Age | Percentage assessment for the relevant period | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| of | 10% | 11% - | 21% - | 31% - | 41% - | 51% - | 61% - | 71% - | 81% - | 91% - |
| disable | - | 200/ | 200/ | 400/ | 500/ | 600 / | 700/ | 000/ | 000/ | 1000/ |
| person | under | 20% | 30% | 40% | 50% | 60% | 70% | 80% | 90% | 100% |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 63 | 7,486 | 12,529 | 16,186 | 20,322 | 25,645 | 28,381 | 31,267 | 33,931 | 36,368 | 38,588 |
| 64 | 6,943 | 11,198 | 14,360 | 17,905 | 22,451 | 25,172 | 27,890 | 30,438 | 32,817 | 35,035 |
| 65 | 6,377 | 9,871 | 12,529 | 15,500 | 19,270 | 21,954 | 24,506 | 26,947 | 29,275 | 31,493 |
| 66 | 5,825 | 8,540 | 10,700 | 13,084 | 16,080 | 18,738 | 21,123 | 23,448 | 25,725 | 27,943 |
| 67 | 5,270 | 7,208 | 8,867 | 10,673 | 12,891 | 15,528 | 17,745 | 19,957 | 22,181 | 24,395 |
| 68 | 5,125 | 6,979 | 8,565 | 10,234 | 12,450 | 14,912 | 17,049 | 19,350 | 21,481 | 23,672 |
| 69 | 4,991 | 6,765 | 8,265 | 9,785 | 12,007 | 14,305 | 16,360 | 18,738 | 20,795 | 22,947 |
| 70 | 4,851 | 6,547 | 7,956 | 9,343 | 11,562 | 13,689 | 15,666 | 18,128 | 20,096 | 22,234 |
| 71 | 4,714 | 6,318 | 7,651 | 8,896 | 11,115 | 13,084 | 14,973 | 17,520 | 19,409 | 21,513 |
| 72 | 4,575 | 6,098 | 7,346 | 8,456 | 10,673 | 12,477 | 14,273 | 16,909 | 18,708 | 20,795 |
| 73 | 4,458 | 5,990 | 7,236 | 8,290 | 10,504 | 12,199 | 14,000 | 16,469 | 18,159 | 20,181 |
| 74 | 4,352 | 5,876 | 7,123 | 8,125 | 10,343 | 11,918 | 13,724 | 16,026 | 17,602 | 19,556 |
| 75 | 4,245 | 5,771 | 7,016 | 7,956 | 10,171 | 11,643 | 13,444 | 15,579 | 17,049 | 18,957 |
| 76 | 4,130 | 5,652 | 6,901 | 7,789 | 10,004 | 11,369 | 13,170 | 15,136 | 16,488 | 18,356 |
| 77 or over | 4,024 | 5,543 | 6,795 | 7,621 | 9,840 | 11,087 | 12,891 | 14,699 | 15,940 | 17,745" |

PART 2
"PART A

| Age of disabled | F | Percentage asse | essment for the i | relevant period | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| person at his | 10% or under | 11% - 20% | 21% - 30% | 31% - 49% | 50% or over |
| last birthday preceding death | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 37 or under | 29,496 | 50,292 | 56,388 | 58,053 | 59,436 |
| 38 | 28,831 | 48,404 | 54,722 | 56,388 | 58,159 |
| 39 | 28,169 | 46,519 | 53,060 | 54,721 | 56,884 |
| 40 | 27,498 | 44,629 | 51,395 | 53,060 | 55,609 |
| 41 | 26,833 | 42,747 | 49,733 | 51,395 | 54,334 |
| 42 | 26,174 | 40,869 | 48,067 | 49,733 | 53,060 |
| 43 | 24,973 | 38,428 | 46,570 | 48,234 | 51,839 |
| 44 | 23,784 | 35,979 | 45,070 | 46,739 | 50,608 |
| 45 | 22.593 | 33,543 | 43,574 | 45,241 | 49,396 |
| | | | | | |

| Age of disabled | F | ercentage asse | ssment for the i | relevant period | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| person at his | 10% or under | 11% - 20% | 21% - 30% | 31% - 49% | 50% or over |
| last birthday preceding death | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 46 | 21,400 | 31,101 | 41,950 | 43,744 | 48,177 |
| 47 | 20,208 | 28,663 | 40,589 | 42,252 | 46,960 |
| 48 | 19,297 | 27,996 | 39,479 | 41,086 | 45,464 |
| 49 | 18,375 | 27,329 | 38,367 | 39,921 | 43,963 |
| 50 | 17,464 | 26,663 | 37,262 | 38,749 | 42,468 |
| 51 | 16,551 | 26,000 | 36,152 | 37,593 | 40,976 |
| 52 | 15,636 | 25,338 | 35,042 | 36,427 | 39,479 |
| 53 | 15,216 | 23,784 | 32,938 | 34,817 | 38,253 |
| 54 | 14,802 | 22,230 | 30,826 | 33,210 | 37,038 |
| 55 | 14,388 | 20,677 | 28,719 | 31,605 | 35,818 |
| 56 | 13,973 | 19,126 | 26,611 | 29,999 | 34,590 |
| 57 | 13,308 | 17,578 | 24,506 | 28,389 | 33,374 |
| 58 | 12,250 | 16,463 | 22,099 | 25,564 | 29,999 |
| 59 | 11,198 | 15,353 | 19,687 | 22,730 | 26,611 |
| 60 | 10,150 | 14,253 | 17,269 | 19,904 | 23,233 |
| 61 | 9,091 | 13,139 | 14,861 | 17,077 | 19,850 |
| 62 | 8,038 | 12,036 | 12,445 | 14,253 | 16,463 |
| 63 | 7,486 | 11,949 | 12,284 | 13,717 | 15,497 |
| 64 | 6,943 | 11,198 | 12,110 | 13,195 | 14,538 |
| 65 | 6,377 | 9,871 | 11,949 | 12,666 | 13,554 |
| 66 | 5,825 | 8,540 | 10,700 | 12,142 | 12,586 |
| 67 and over | 4,024 | 5,543 | 6,795 | 7,621 | 9,840 |

PART B

| Age of disabled person last birthday | at his | Payment | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------|--|--|
| preceding death | | £ | | |
| | 37 or under | 59,436 | | |
| | 38 | 58,159 | | |
| | 39 | 56,884 | | |
| | 40 | 55,609 | | |
| | 41 | 54,334 | | |
| | 42 | 53,060 | | |

| Age of disabled person at his last birthday | | Payment | | |
|---|------------|---------|--|--|
| preceding death | | £ | | |
| | 43 | 51,839 | | |
| | 44 | 50,608 | | |
| | 45 | 49,396 | | |
| | 46 | 48,177 | | |
| | 47 | 46,960 | | |
| | 48 | 45,464 | | |
| | 49 | 43,963 | | |
| | 50 | 42,468 | | |
| | 51 | 40,976 | | |
| | 52 | 39,479 | | |
| | 53 | 38,253 | | |
| | 54 | 37,038 | | |
| | 55 | 35,818 | | |
| | 56 | 34,590 | | |
| | 57 | 33,374 | | |
| | 58 | 29,999 | | |
| | 59 | 26,611 | | |
| | 60 | 23,233 | | |
| | 61 | 19,850 | | |
| | 62 | 16,463 | | |
| | 63 | 15,497 | | |
| | 64 | 14,538 | | |
| | 65 | 13,554 | | |
| | 66 | 12,586 | | |
| | 67 or over | 9,840" | | |

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Under the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/925 (N.I.9)) ("the Order") lump sum payments may be made to certain persons disabled by a disease to which the Order applies, or to dependants of persons who were so disabled before they died.

These Regulations amend the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 (S.R. 1988 No. 242) to increase the amounts payable under the Order.

By virtue of regulation 1(2), the amendments made by these Regulations apply only in relation to any case in which a person first fulfils the conditions of entitlement to a payment under the Order on or after the day on which these Regulations come into operation.