

Old Age Pensions.

MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER
THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY
PENSIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925.

1926. No. 98.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sub-section (4) and the proviso to sub-section (5) of Section 14 and paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, and by the Contributory Pensions (Joint Committee) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1925, and of all other powers enabling them, and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance so far as regards Regulations which are required to be so made, hereby make the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Contributory Pensions (Modification of Old Age Pensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1926.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“The Pensions Act” means the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925.

“The Insurance Act” means the National Health Insurance Act, 1924.

“Exempt Person” means an exempt person within the meaning of the Insurance Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3.—(1) Where an exempt person by whom a certificate of exemption is surrendered is, at the date of the surrender, of the age of forty-five or upwards and becomes insured for the purposes of and entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act, such pension shall be payable at the weekly rate appropriate to his age at the date of his entry into insurance, as set out in the table contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) The foregoing provisions shall apply to a person who, by virtue of sub-section (5) of Section 14 of the Pensions Act, becomes a voluntary contributor under the Insurance Act, and who is, at the date of so becoming a voluntary contributor, of the age of forty-five or upwards.

4. Where a person to whom paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the Pensions Act applies is or becomes insured for the purposes of the said Act relating to old age pensions he shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act—

- (a) if he had at the date of his entry into insurance not attained the age of forty-five or had been continuously insured under the Insurance Act since the 7th day of August, 1925, or became a voluntary contributor by virtue of sub-section (1) of Section 13 of the Pensions Act as from the 4th day of January, 1926, and had been continuously insured since that date be entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act at the rate of 10s. a week :
- (b) in any other case if he had at the date of his entry into insurance not attained the age of sixty years, be entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act at the weekly rate appropriate to his age at the date of so becoming insured as set out in the Table contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.

5. Notwithstanding anything in Articles 3 and 4 of these Regulations in the case of a person the date of whose entry into insurance was not later than the 4th day of January, 1926, his age at the date of entry into insurance shall for the purposes of paragraph 2 of Article 3 and Article 4 of these Regulations be deemed to have been the age which he had attained at the earliest date on which he would have been entitled to become a voluntary contributor if the Pensions Act and the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Voluntary Contributors) Regulations, 1925, had been in force since the 15th day of July, 1914.

6. Where the wife of a person to whom the provisions of paragraph (1) of Article 3 or Article 4 of these Regulations applies is by virtue of his insurance entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act such pension shall be payable at the same rate as that to which her husband is or has been entitled.

7. The provisions of the Pensions Act relating to old age pensions payable to persons who have attained the age of seventy shall apply to a person and to the wife of such a person to whom the provisions of paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the said Act apply so, however, that any such pension shall be payable at the same rate as that to which such person is entitled at the date on which such person attains the age of seventy.

Schedule.

TABLE SHOWING WEEKLY RATE OF OLD AGE PENSION APPROPRIATE TO AGE AT ENTRY INTO INSURANCE.

Age at last entry into insurance.	Weekly rate of pension.
<i>Applicable in respect of persons formerly exempt or in excepted employment.</i>	
Over 45 and under 47	s. d. 9 0
" 47 " 49	8 0
" 49 " 51	7 0
" 51 " 53	6 0
" 53 " 55	5 0
" 55 " 57	4 0
" 57 " 59	3 0
" 59 " 60	2 0
<i>Applicable only in respect of persons formerly exempt.</i>	
Over 60	1 0

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 23rd day of August, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

(L.S.)

W. F. Wackrill,
Secretary to the National Health
Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this 23rd day of August, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

(L.S.)

G. C. Duggan,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of
Finance.

Service Dependants Pensions.

MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE ADMIRALTY, THE ARMY COUNCIL, THE AIR COUNCIL, AND THE MINISTER OF PENSIONS, AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER PROVISIO (I) TO SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 24 OF THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925.

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