

July, nineteen hundred and thirty, by the Lords Justices for the government of Northern Ireland the tenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty, was fixed to be the appointed day for the purpose of certain other provisions of the Act set out in the schedule to the said Order, to the extent specified in that Schedule :

Now I, James Albert Edward, Duke of Abercorn, Governor of Northern Ireland, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, by and with the advice of the Privy Council of Northern Ireland, do hereby order as follows :—

The first day of October, 1930, is hereby fixed to be the appointed day for all purposes and provisions of the Act, so far as the Act is not at the date of this Order in operation by virtue of any provision expressly made by the Act or by virtue of the Order in Council hereinbefore recited.

Given at the Council Chamber, Belfast, this 24th day of September, 1930.

(Signed).

*Craigavon.*

*H. M. Pollock.*

*John M. Andrews.*

*E. M. Archdale.*

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### Deposit Contributors.

THE DEPOSIT CONTRIBUTORS AMENDMENT REGULATIONS  
(NORTHERN IRELAND), 1930. DATED 19TH MAY, 1930.

1930. No. 90.

(Revoked by S. R. O. 1930. No. 171, *infra*.)

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (DEPOSIT CONTRIBUTORS)  
REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1930, DATED 3RD NOVEMBER, 1930, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE AND BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1924 TO 1930, AND THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925 AND 1929.

1930. No. 171.

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The National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, acting jointly so far as regards Regulations which the said Joint Committee are empowered to make jointly with the said Ministry, and acting separately so far as regards Regulations which the said Joint Committee or the said Ministry are empowered to make alone, and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance in exercise of the several powers conferred on them by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1924 to 1930, and the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Acts

(Northern Ireland), 1925 and 1929, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations :—

## PART I.

*General.*

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1930, and, except as otherwise expressly provided, shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1st day of October, 1930.

Short title  
and com-  
mencement.

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

Interpreta-  
tion.

“The Act” means the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, as amended by the National Health Insurance Act, 1928, and applied to Northern Ireland by the National Health Insurance (Extension of Enactments) Order (Northern Ireland), 1928;

“The Pensions Act” means the Widows’, Orphans’ and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, as amended by the Widows’, Orphans’ and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1929;

“The Act of 1930” means the National Health Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1930;

“The Ministry” means the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland;

“Benefit year,” in relation to the benefits of a deposit contributor, means the period from the 1st day of April to the 31st day of March (both inclusive) in consecutive years; and “benefit half-year” means the period from the 1st day of April to the 30th day of September (both inclusive) in any year or the period from the 1st day of October to the 31st day of March (both inclusive) in consecutive years;

“Contribution half-year” means any period in respect of which contribution cards may be issued under any Regulations relating to the collection of contributions made under the Act and for the time being in force and “Contribution year” means any period commencing in June or July as the case may be and comprising two consecutive contribution half-years;

“Employed” means employed within the meaning of the Act, and “unemployed” and “unemployment” have the corresponding meanings;

“Fund” means the Deposit Contributors Fund;

“Proper proportion,” in relation to the cost of the benefits of a deposit contributor and of the administration of those benefits, means the proportion of the cost of benefits and of administration payable out of contributions paid by or in respect of the deposit contributor;

“Society” means an Approved Society;

“Medical Benefit Account” means the account set up under that title in accordance with Section 10 of the Act of 1930.

(2) References in these Regulations to the Act or to any provisions of the Act shall, where necessary, be deemed to include references to any enactment repealed by the Act or to the corresponding provisions of any such enactment.

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

Revocation  
of existing  
Regulations.

3. The National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1927 (S.R. and O. 1927, No. 50), the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1928 (S.R. and O. 1928, No. 89), the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1929 (S.R. and O. 1929, No. 14) and the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1930 (S.R. and O. 1930, No. 90), are hereby revoked without prejudice to anything done thereunder.

Benefits of  
deposit  
contributor  
to depend on  
sum at his  
credit.

4. Save as otherwise expressly provided, nothing in these Regulations shall be deemed to confer upon a deposit contributor the right to any benefit where at the time the deduction in respect of the benefit would otherwise be made the amount standing to his credit in the Fund is exhausted or, in the case of medical benefit, is not sufficient to provide the proper proportion of the cost thereof and of administration.

## PART II.

### *Application of the Act to Deposit Contributors.*

5. The provisions of Section 3 of the Act (other than proviso (a) to sub-section (1) thereof) shall apply to a deposit contributor as they apply to a member of a Society, subject to the following adaptations and modifications:—

- (1) Where a deposit contributor, being an employed contributor, ceases to be employed within the meaning of the Act, he shall until the thirtieth day of June, or the thirty-first day of December, whichever next precedes the expiration of a period of two years from the end of the contribution week in which he ceases to be so employed, be treated for all purposes as if he were an employed contributor insured under the Act; but if on ceasing to be so employed he is rendered incapable of work by some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement of which notice

is given within the period specified in paragraph (3) of this Article, the said period of two years shall be reckoned from the end of the contribution week in which he ceases to be so incapable of work :

Provided that a deposit contributor who, being an employed contributor, or treated as an employed contributor insured under the Act, is receiving such training, as is referred to in proviso (b) to sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Act, shall remain for all purposes an insured person until the thirtieth day of June, or the thirty-first day of December, whichever next precedes the expiration of twelve months from the date on which he ceases to receive such training or until the date on which he would have ceased to be an insured person had he not undergone such training, whichever date is the later.

The period during which a deposit contributor remains insured after ceasing to be employed, calculated in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph, is hereinafter referred to as the "free period of insurance."

- (2) A deposit contributor being a voluntary contributor shall on ceasing to pay contributions continue to be treated as if he were a voluntary contributor insured under the Act until the thirtieth day of June, or the thirty-first day of December, whichever next precedes the expiration of a period of two years from the end of the contribution week in respect of which the last contribution paid by him as a voluntary contributor was paid :

Provided that where immediately after the contribution week in respect of which the last contribution paid by him as a voluntary contributor was paid he is rendered incapable of work by some specific disease or by bodily or mental disablement of which notice is given within the period specified in paragraph (3) of this Article, the said period of two years shall be reckoned from the end of the contribution week in which he ceases to be so incapable of work.

The period during which a deposit contributor remains insured after ceasing to pay contributions as a voluntary contributor, calculated in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph, is hereinafter referred to as the "free period of insurance."

- (3) The period during which a deposit contributor may give notice for the purposes of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Article that he has been rendered incapable of work by some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement shall be the period ending on the date

on which he would otherwise cease to be insured under the provisions of those paragraphs :

Provided that for any period during which the deposit contributor is incapable of work but notice is not given until after the expiration of the time aforesaid, such notice shall be deemed to have been given within the prescribed time if the Ministry is satisfied that the deposit contributor had a reasonable excuse for not giving notice before the date on which it was in fact given.

(4) In the case of a deposit contributor—

(a) who has up to the end of the contribution week in which he ceases to be employed been insured as an employed contributor for a continuous period of two hundred and eight weeks, and by or in respect of whom at least one hundred and sixty weekly contributions have been paid, and

(b) who proves within the period specified in paragraph (5) of this Article that throughout the free period of insurance (except when incapable of work by reason of some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement of which notice is given within the period specified in paragraph (6) of this Article) he was available for but unable to obtain employment ;

he shall continue to be treated as an employed contributor insured under the Act until the expiration of a year, hereinafter referred to as the "extended year," from the date on which he would otherwise cease to be insured, subject to the modification that the rates of sickness and disablement benefit payable to him during the extended year shall be half the ordinary rates specified in Section 13 of the Act.

- (5) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (4) of this Article the time within which a deposit contributor may prove that throughout the free period of insurance he was (except for such periods of incapacity as are mentioned in that sub-paragraph) available for but unable to obtain employment, shall be the period terminating six months after the date on which under paragraph (1) of this Article he would otherwise have ceased to be insured :

Provided that the Ministry, if satisfied that the deposit contributor had a reasonable excuse for failing to furnish proof within the period terminating as aforesaid, may extend the period by such further period, not exceeding six months, as the Ministry may determine.

- (6) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (4) and of paragraph (9) of this Article the time within which a deposit contributor is required to give notice that he was incapable of work by reason of some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement, shall be the period ending on a date six months after the date on which he would otherwise have ceased to be insured in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations applicable to him at the time he became incapable of work ;

Provided that for any period during which the deposit contributor was incapable of work but notice was not given until after the expiration of the period aforesaid, such notice shall be deemed to have been given within the prescribed time if the Ministry is satisfied that the deposit contributor had a reasonable excuse for not giving notice before the date on which it was in fact given.

- (7) If a deposit contributor, while remaining insured by virtue of paragraph (4) of this Article, again becomes employed, or becomes a voluntary contributor, he shall for the purposes of sickness, disablement and maternity benefits, be treated as if he had not previously been insured until he has been so employed for twenty-six weeks and twenty-six contributions have been paid in respect of him since he again became so employed, or until he has paid twenty-six contributions since becoming a voluntary contributor, as the case may be :

Provided that he shall not by reason of becoming so employed or becoming a voluntary contributor be deprived of any benefit to which he would otherwise have been entitled.

- (8) Where a deposit contributor to whom paragraph (4) of this Article applies was at the date when he ceased to be employed of the age of sixty or upwards, and had then been continuously insured for ten years or upwards then—

(a) if on ceasing to be insured under the provisions of that paragraph he proves that throughout the period during which his insurance was extended in accordance with those provisions he was, except when incapable of work, available for but unable to obtain employment, he shall continue to be treated as an insured person until the expiration of a year from the date on which he would otherwise cease to be insured ; and

- (b) thereafter, if at the end of each succeeding year he furnishes similar proof with respect to the immediately preceding year, he shall continue to be treated as an insured person for a further year :

Provided that a deposit contributor who remains insured by virtue of this paragraph shall not be entitled to sickness benefit or disablement benefit, and if he again becomes employed, he shall, for the purpose of determining his title to sickness benefit and disablement benefit, be treated as if he had not previously been an insured person.

- (9) If at the date on which a deposit contributor would, under any of the foregoing provisions of this Article, cease to be insured he is, or was within the period of four weeks preceding that date, incapable of work by reason of some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement of which notice is or has been given within the period specified in paragraph (6) of this Article, he shall remain insured in accordance with the provisions of this Article applicable to him at the time he became incapable of work until he has for a continuous period of four weeks not been so incapable of work.
- (10) In the case of a deposit contributor becoming a member of a Society, or of a member of a Society becoming a deposit contributor, he shall for the purposes of Section 3 of the Act be treated as if he had been a member of the Society or had been a deposit contributor, as the case may be, since his entry into insurance.
- (11) The provisions of Section 3 of the Act as applied as aforesaid shall, notwithstanding anything in Section 56 of the Act, apply to every woman being an insured person and a deposit contributor who ceases to be employed or to be a voluntary contributor, whether on marriage or at any other time, so however that, in the case of a woman who was an insured person at the date of her marriage, she shall be entitled to a maternity benefit in respect of her first confinement within two years of the date of her marriage whether or not she is then an insured person.
- (12) In the case of a deposit contributor whose free period of full insurance was still continuing on the 31st day of December, 1929, by virtue of Article 8 of the Deposit Contributors Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1929, he shall not cease to be insured before the 31st day of December, 1930, if he proves that (except when employed or incapable of work by reason of some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement of



which notice has been given) he was available for; but unable to obtain, employment throughout the period from the 2nd day of July, 1928, to the 31st day of December, 1929 (both dates inclusive) :

Provided that in the case of a deposit contributor whose insurance is continued in accordance with the foregoing provision, the period from the 1st day of January, 1930, to the 31st day of December, 1930, shall be deemed to have been the period during which his insurance might have been extended under paragraph (4) of Article 5 of these Regulations, and the condition of sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (8) of Article 5 shall be treated as having been satisfied in such a case if a deposit contributor proves that throughout the period from the 1st day of January, 1930, to the 31st day of December, 1930 (both dates inclusive), he was, except when incapable of work, available for, but unable to obtain employment.

6.—(1) A deposit contributor whose insurance is continued in accordance with paragraph 12 of Article 5 of these Regulations shall be entitled only to half the ordinary rates of sickness and disablement benefit specified in Section 13 of the Act.

(2) The provisions of paragraph (7) of Article 5 of these Regulations shall apply in the case of a deposit contributor, who resumes employment, or becomes a voluntary contributor while subject to reduction of benefit in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Article, as if he had remained insured by virtue of paragraph (4) of the said Article 5.

7. Sub-section (4) of Section 7 of the Act shall apply to deposit contributors as set out and adapted and modified as follows :—

A deposit contributor who is an employed contributor or is treated as an employed contributor insured under the Act shall, if he proves to the Ministry that he is or was unemployed owing to incapacity for work due to some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement or, in the case of such a deposit contributor in respect of whom less than 104 contributions have been paid, that he is or was unemployed owing to inability to obtain employment, be entitled up to and including the 30th day of November next succeeding the contribution year in which the unemployment occurred or such later date as the Ministry may in any particular case determine, to pay contributions in respect of the period of unemployment.

Application of Section 7 (4) of Act. (Payment of contributions during sickness and unemployment in certain cases.)

8. The provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3) of Section 22, sub-section 7 of Section 43, and Section 47 of the Act (so far as relates to the execution of instruments and giving acquittances) shall apply to a deposit contributor as they apply to a member of a

Application of Sections 22 (2) & (3) and 47 of Act. (Miscellaneous provisions.)

Society, and the referencés in sub-sections (2) and (3) of Section 22 to a Society shall be construed as referencés to the Ministry.

Application  
of Section  
43 (1) of Act.  
(Transfer  
from Deposit  
Contributors  
Fund.)

9. Sub-section (1) of Section 43 of the Act (other than provisos (a), (b), (c) and (d) to the said sub-section) shall apply to deposit contributors as set out and adapted and modified as follows :—

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, a deposit contributor shall be entitled at any time to become a member of a Society and, save as hereinafter provided, shall be treated as if he had become a member of the Society at the commencement of the contribution half-year in which he is admitted a member of the Society or if having regard to the special circumstances of any case the Ministry so determines, at such other date as it may direct, but nothing herein contained shall render the Society liable for payment of any benefits in respect of any period prior to the date on which the insured person is actually admitted a member.
- (2) A transfer fee calculated in the manner hereinafter provided shall be payable in respect of every person who ceases to be a deposit contributor by reason of becoming a member of a Society ; and the total amount of transfer fees so payable in any year shall be ascertained by multiplying three shillings by the number of persons who cease to be deposit contributors by reason of becoming members of Societies in that year, which amount shall be deducted from the sum of the balances standing to the accounts of those persons and shall be applied towards the expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Ministry in the administration of benefits of deposit contributors.

Application  
of Section 43  
(5) of Act.  
(Ceasing to  
be deposit  
contributor  
on termina-  
tion of insur-  
ance, etc.)

10. Sub-section (5) of Section 43 of the Act shall apply to a person being a deposit contributor as set out and adapted and modified as follows :—

Any person being a deposit contributor to whom a certificate of exemption is granted under this Act or who ceases to be an insured person shall, upon the grant of the certificate or on so ceasing, as the case may be, cease to be a deposit contributor :

Provided that if any person within one year after so ceasing to be a deposit contributor becomes an employed contributor and before joining a Society again becomes a deposit contributor, he shall be entitled to have placed to his credit in the Fund the amount which was at the credit of his account in the Fund on the date on which he ceased to be a deposit contributor.

Application  
of Section 46  
of Act.  
(Transfer of  
sums on  
persons  
lapsing from  
insurance.)

11. Section 46 of the Act shall apply in the case of a deposit contributor who ceases to be an insured person as set out and modified as follows :—

If an insured person being a deposit contributor ceases to be an insured person the amount of the balance in his account in the Fund, shall, subject to the provisions of paragraph (d) (iii) of sub-section 3 of Section 54 of the Act, and of Article 10 of these Regulations, be transferred to the Reserve Suspense Fund.

12. Sub-section (9) of Section 56 of the Act shall apply to a woman being an insured person and a deposit contributor as set out and modified as follows :—

Application of Section 56 (9) of Act. (Married women.)

It shall be the duty of every woman, being an insured person and a deposit contributor, who marries to give notice of her marriage to the Ministry within eight weeks thereof.

PART III.

*Accounts, Benefits, Administration Expenses, and Miscellaneous Provisions.*

13. The accounts of deposit contributors in the Fund shall be under the control and management of the Ministry, and shall be kept in such form as the Ministry may decide:

Management of accounts.

14—(1) Sickness benefit and disablement benefit shall be paid in respect of six days in a week, and shall not be paid in respect of a Sunday.

Provisions as to sickness, disablement and maternity benefits.

(2) No payment on account of sickness, disablement or maternity benefit shall, unless the Ministry otherwise determines, be made to a deposit contributor out of the amount standing to his credit in the Fund of an amount greater than the excess of the amount standing to his credit at the date of his claim over the sum, if any, required to provide the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for the benefit half-year commencing next thereafter.

15—(1) A deposit contributor shall be entitled to medical benefit as from the date on which he enters into insurance or transfers from a Society, as the case may be, and while he continues to be an insured person under these Regulations he shall continue entitled to medical benefit until he is suspended therefrom in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

Provisions as to Medical benefit.

(2) A deposit contributor who as at the end of a contribution half-year has standing to his credit in the Fund an amount sufficient to provide the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for the benefit year or benefit half-year first commencing thereafter or, where he ceases to be an insured person prior to the expiration of that benefit year or benefit half-year, for the portion of that year or half-year until he ceases to be an insured person, shall be entitled to medical benefit for that benefit year or benefit half-year or the portion thereof as the case may be; and save as otherwise expressly provided a deposit contributor who has not then standing to his

credit in the Fund an amount sufficient for the purpose aforesaid shall be suspended from medical benefit as from the first day of the benefit half-year first commencing thereafter unless the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for that half-year has already been deducted :

Provided that a deposit contributor who, being of the age of sixty-five or upwards, has then any sum whatsoever standing to his credit in the Fund shall be entitled to medical benefit for the benefit half-year first commencing thereafter.

(3) A man who on discharge from the Navy, Army or Air Force becomes a deposit contributor shall, irrespective of the amount at his credit in the Fund, be entitled to medical benefit from the date on which he becomes a deposit contributor until the commencement of the benefit half-year next succeeding the end of the contribution half-year in which he is discharged, and thereafter he shall only be entitled to that benefit in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

(4) Subject to the provisions of the immediately succeeding paragraph, a deposit contributor, being an employed contributor by or in respect of whom any contributions were paid during a contribution half-year and (except in the case of a person insured under the provisions of Section 57 of the Act or in the case of a person in respect of whom contributions are paid in accordance with sub-section 7 of Section 62 of the Act) the relative contribution card has been duly surrendered to the Ministry shall be entitled to medical benefit during the benefit half-year commencing next after the end of that contribution half-year, whether or not there is standing to his credit in the Fund an amount sufficient to provide the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for that half-year.

Provided that any insured person who is a deposit contributor at 1st October, 1930, shall be entitled to medical benefit during the benefit half-year commencing on that date, if the amount at credit of his account in the Fund is sufficient to provide the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for that half-year, or if any contributions have been paid by or in respect of him during the period from 8th July, 1929, to 30th September, 1930.

(5) Where the amount at the credit of the deposit contributor in the Fund is not sufficient to provide for the appropriate deduction in respect of the cost of medical benefit and administration for any period, the Ministry may, on subsequently crediting contributions to his account in the Fund, deduct from the amount then standing to his credit the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for the said period ; and if at the end of the contribution half-year next but one commencing after the date on which such deduction would ordinarily have been made there is still not sufficient at his credit to provide for the deduction, the deposit contributor shall be suspended from medical benefit until the amount at his credit is sufficient.

to meet the deficiency in respect of the cost of medical benefit and administration for periods during which he has been entitled to that benefit and to provide the proper proportion of the cost of medical benefit and administration for the next benefit half-year; and thereupon he shall be entitled to medical benefit from the commencement of that benefit half-year.

(6) A deposit contributor who is being treated as if he were insured under the Act by virtue of Article 5 of these Regulations and who has by virtue of that Article ceased to be entitled to sickness, disablement and maternity benefits shall be suspended from medical benefit for the concluding portion (being less than a benefit half-year) of the period during which he is so treated if he was not entitled to medical benefit for the immediately preceding benefit half-year.

16.—(1) Where by the provisions of these Regulations a deposit contributor is entitled to medical benefit for a benefit year or benefit half-year or other period, there shall be deducted at such times as the Ministry may determine from the amount standing to his credit in the Fund the proper proportion of the cost of that benefit and of administration for the said year or half-year or other period as the case may be.

Deductions  
for Medical  
benefit and  
administra-  
tion

(2) In the case of a deposit contributor becoming insured or having ceased to be insured under the provisions of Section 57 of the Act, or of a person having ceased to be a member of a society and becoming a deposit contributor, and in any other case in which the Ministry considers it proper, such adjustments shall be made in respect of the cost of medical benefit and administration as appear to the Ministry to be just and necessary.

(3) Where contribution cards have not been surrendered by a deposit contributor to the Ministry until after the proper time, and by reason of the absence of such cards the necessary deduction on account of the cost of medical benefit and administration for any benefit year or half-year was not made, a deduction in respect thereof shall, unless in any particular case the Ministry otherwise determines, be made on the surrender of the card, and the amount of such deduction shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the next succeeding paragraph.

(4) Where a sum is required to be debited to the account of a deposit contributor or credited by way of rebate to his account in respect of a past period in which the rate of charge was different from the rate current at the date on which the debit or credit is made, such sum shall be calculated at the current rate, and the debit or credit shall be made accordingly and apportioned as between the cost of medical benefit and administration on the basis applicable at the date on which the debit or credit is made.

17. The provisions of Section 10 of the National Health Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1930, shall apply as respects deposit contributors in like manner as they apply as respects members

Cost of  
medical  
benefit, &c.

of a Society, with the modifications set out in the immediately succeeding Article.

Administra-  
tion  
expenses,  
&c.

18.—(1) The annual sum which may be charged to the account of each deposit contributor for each benefit year in respect of the cost of medical benefit and the expenses of administering benefits shall be the proper proportion of the following amounts :—

- (a) in the case of a person aged sixty-five years or upwards at the commencement of a benefit year, twelve shillings, and six pence ;
- (b) in the case of a voluntary contributor to whom sub-section (2) of Section 12 of the Act, as amended by the Act of 1930, applies, three shillings and sixpence ;
- (c) in the case of any other person sixteen shillings.

Provided that nothing shall be charged to the account of a person of the age of sixty-five or upwards who is not entitled to medical benefit.

(2) There shall be payable to the " Medical Benefit Account " in respect of each person to whom sub-paragraph (a) or (c) of paragraph 1 of this Article applies a sum at the rate of twelve shillings per annum, and after deducting the proper proportion of these sums from the amount charged to the Fund under paragraph (1) of this Article, the balance shall, subject to such adjustments as may be necessary, be paid to the Ministry towards the expenses of administering benefits of deposit contributors.

(3) For the purpose of determining the amounts payable out of the Fund in any year on account of medical benefit and administration, the number of deposit contributors and the number of such contributors entitled to medical benefit in any year shall be determined in such manner as the Ministry thinks fit.

Administra-  
tion  
expenses—  
Transitional  
period.

19.—(1) There shall be charged to the accounts of each deposit contributor to whom sub-paragraphs (a) or (c) of paragraph (1) of Article 18 applies, in respect of the period from 7th July, 1930, to 30th September, 1930, the proper proportion of a sum at the rate of seven shillings and three pence per annum, in addition to the amounts chargeable under any other regulations in force in respect of the said period.

(2) A sum at the rate of seven shillings per annum shall be paid to the Medical Benefit Account in respect of a person to whom sub-paragraph (1) of this Article applies for the period aforesaid, and after deducting the proper proportion of this sum from the amount charged to the Fund under paragraph (1) of this Article the balance shall be paid to the Ministry towards the expenses of administering the benefits of deposit contributors.

20.—(1) Where a deposit contributor changes his place of residence, he shall give notice to the Ministry of the address of his new place of residence.

Duty of notifying change of residence and furnishing information.

(2) A deposit contributor shall furnish such information as the Ministry may require for the purpose of being satisfied as to his age, employment and otherwise as to his title to benefits.

21. Where a person who, having been a deposit contributor, becomes a member of a Society, no arrears shall, for the purpose of any Regulations with respect to the benefits of persons in arrears, be deemed to have accrued prior to the date on which he is, under the provisions of Article 9 of these Regulations, treated as becoming a member of the Society:

Arrears of deposit contributor joining Society.

Provided that a person who has at any time within two years prior to the date aforesaid been a member of a Society and has since then continued in insurance shall, for the purpose of ascertaining any reduction or suspension of benefits on account of arrears, be treated as if he had been a member of a Society since the date of his entry into insurance.

22. The provisions of Part XV. of the National Health Insurance (Approved Societies) Regulations, 1930 (S.R. & O., 1930, No. 523), relating to the notification of advances of benefit, shall apply as respects a deposit contributor in like manner as they apply as respects a member of a Society, and references therein to a Society shall be construed as references to the Ministry.

Notification of advances of benefit.

23.—(1) The provisions of Part XVI. of the National Health Insurance (Approved Societies) Regulations, 1930, relating to sums payable on death shall, so far as may be, apply to a deposit contributor and to the sums payable on his death in like manner as they apply to a member of a Society and the sums payable on his death, and for that purpose references therein to a Society shall be construed as references to the Ministry, and the Ministry shall, as respects the sums payable on the death of a deposit contributor, have the same protection and privileges as a Society has as respects the sums payable on the death of its member.

Sums payable on death.

(2) Any nomination or variation of a nomination made under the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors, Payment on Death) Regulations (Ireland), 1913, and still subsisting at the date when these Regulations come into force, shall have effect as if made in accordance with the provisions hereof.

24. The time within which a Deposit Contributor who, having been employed within the meaning of the Act and insured as an employed contributor for a period, whether continuous or not, of one hundred and four weeks or upwards, has ceased to be so employed may give notice under paragraph (a) of sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the Act that he desires to become a voluntary

Time for becoming voluntary contributor and relative notice.

contributor shall be any time up to and including the date to which, under Article 5 of these Regulations, he is treated for all purposes as if he were an employed contributor insured under the Act, or such later date as the Ministry, having regard to the circumstances of the particular case, may determine.

Transition  
from  
employed to  
voluntary  
insurance.

“25.—(1) For the purposes of the Act (other than sub-section (5) of Section 7) a person who, having elected to become a voluntary contributor, is or becomes a deposit contributor shall be treated as a voluntary contributor from the commencement of the contribution week in which he gave notice of his desire to become a voluntary contributor:

Provided that for the purpose of payment of contributions, but for that purpose only, he may be treated as having become a voluntary contributor on such earlier date as will permit him to pay contributions in respect of any period prior to the date on which he gave such notice and subsequent to his being employed so long as such contributions are paid on or before the 30th day of November next following the end of the contribution year to which they relate or before such later date as the Ministry may in any particular case determine.

(2) For the purposes of sub-section (5) of Section 7 of the Act a person who, having elected to become a voluntary contributor, is a deposit contributor shall be treated as a voluntary contributor :—

(a) where he was insured as an employed contributor immediately prior to becoming a voluntary contributor, either (i) as from the commencement of the contribution year following that in which he ceased to be employed, or (ii) if on ceasing to be employed he was rendered incapable of work by some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement of which notice was given, as from the commencement of the contribution year in which he ceased to be so incapable of work, or (iii) as from the commencement of the contribution year in which he gave notice of his desire to become a voluntary contributor, whichever is the later; and

(b) in any other case, from the date on which he gave notice of his desire to become a voluntary contributor.

(3) In the case of a deposit contributor whose time for electing to become a voluntary contributor has been extended by virtue of Article 24 of these Regulations, the foregoing provisions shall have effect as if the notice of desire to become a voluntary contributor had been given immediately before he ceased to be insured as an employed contributor.”

Persons of  
unsound  
mind.

26. The provisions of Article 233 of the National Health Insurance (Approved Societies) Regulations, 1930, relating to appointing persons to exercise rights of election and to receive



payments of benefit on behalf of persons of unsound mind, shall apply as respects a deposit contributor in like manner as they apply as respects a member of a Society, and for that purpose references to a Society or the Committee of Management thereof shall be construed as references to the Ministry.

27. The provisions of Section 97 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1896 (59 & 60 Vict. c. 25), shall apply to certificates of the death of deposit contributors required for the purposes of the Act as if such persons were members of registered Friendly Societies, subject to such modification in the form of application for certificates of death of deposit contributors required for the purposes of the Act as may seem proper to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages for Northern Ireland.

Certificates of death.

28. The provisions of Article 10 of the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1930, shall apply to a deposit contributor as they apply to a member of a Society.

Allocation of contributions.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 3rd day of November, in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

(L.S.)

*Kenneth Curtis,*  
Acting Secretary to the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, this 3rd day of November, in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

(L.S.)

*John S. Godden,*  
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

The Ministry of Finance approves of the foregoing Regulations in witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry has been affixed, this 4th day of December, in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty, in the presence of

(L.S.)

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

### Deposit Contributors Insurance Section.

REGULATIONS, DATED 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1930, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE, AND BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, ACTING JOINTLY, UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS, 1924 TO 1930.

1930. No. 129.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, and in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the National Health