Dental Benefit.

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (DENTAL BENEFIT) AMEND-MENT REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936, DATED JANUARY 31ST, 1936, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH Insurance Joint Committee and the Ministry of Labour FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1924 TO 1935.

1936.No. 17.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1924 to 1935, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations :---

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Dental Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1936.

2. On and after the first day of February, 1936, the National Health Insurance (Dental Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1933, shall be read and have effect as if the Second and Third Schedules of those regulations were amended in manner specified in the schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

1. The following amendments shall be made in the Second Schedule to the National Health Insurance (Dental Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1933. (a) in the Scale of Fees.

one tooth

	(:	i)	\mathbf{the}	foll	owing	shall	be	substituted	\mathbf{for}	the	first item :	
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··· 1.	Scaling			ment	
	of	the	gums	\mathbf{per}	
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5s. 0d. but not chargeable in respect of a jaw for which a denture of ten or more teeth is supplied."

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(ii) the following shall be substituted for the fourth item :---

··· 4.	(a)	Extractions
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La Laxtractions	one tooth	• •	Z8.	oa.
	two teeth	••	58.	0d.
	three or four teeth		7s.	6d.
	five or six teeth	••	10s.	0d.
	seven or eight teeth	••	12s.	6d.
	nine or ten teeth	••	158.	0d.
	eleven or twelve teeth	••	17s.	6d.
	thirteen or fourteen teeth	£1	03.	0d.
	fifteen or sixteen teeth	£1	2s.	6d.
	seventeen or more teeth	£1	58.	0d.
(b) Administration of	one to four teeth	•• •	58.	0d.
General Anaes-	five to eight teeth	••	78,	6đ.
thetics : Fee per	nine to twelve teeth	••	128.	6d.
case in connection	thirteen to sixteen teeth		17s.	6d.
with the extrac- tion of :—-	seventeen or more teeth	£1	18.	0d.

Provided that no fee in excess of 7s. 6d. shall be payable for the administration of a general anaesthetic unless a doctor or dentist (other than the dentist performing the extractions) administers the anaesthetic."

(b) in the Conditions with respect to Items of the Scale of Fees,

- (i) in Item 1 "ten" shall be substituted for "eight";
- (ii) the following shall be substituted for Item 4:---

" Item 4.-General Anaesthetics :

Any estimate which includes a general anaesthetic must be accompanied by a brief report of the reasons for its inclusion. If the use of a general anaesthetic is desired by the insured person but is stated by the dentist or by a Dental Referee or found by a Reference Committee, or by the Dental Benefit Council on appeal under these Regulations, to be unnecessary, the Approved Society is not liable for any payment in respect thereof, but in that case no objection may be raised by a Society to the payment by the Insured Person of the fee laid down in the Scale, provided that the Insured Person makes a statement in writing, to be attached to the Dental Letter, that he desires to have a general anaesthetic and is prepared himself to pay the fee chargeable therefor."

- (c) in the Conditions with respect to Materials,
 - (i) the following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph (6) :---
 - "(6) Bands and Clasps shall be of either :---
 - (a) alloys containing not less than forty per cent. of gold, platinum or palladium (including not less than fifteen per cent. of gold) and not more than twenty per cent. of base metal,
 - or (b) stainless steel.
 - Bands shall be not less than No. 7 gauge in thickness."
 - (ii) The following new paragraphs shall be added at the end of the Schedule:----

"(7) In cases of close bite where porcelain teeth cannot be used, cusps of

- (a) alloys containing not less than thirty-three and a third per cent. of gold, platinum or palladium and not more than twenty per cent. of base metal, or
- (b) stainless steel,
- may be used.
- (8) Metal used, after approval of a special estimate for denture plates, lingual or palatal bars, backings and tags, spiral springs, bolts and swivels shall be
 - (a) alloys containing not less than thirty-three and a third per cent. of gold, platinum or palladium and not more than twenty per cent. of base metal, or
 - (b) stainless steel,
 - and shall be of adequate strength."

2. The following amendments shall be made in the Third Schedule to the National Health Insurance (Dental Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1933:---

- (a) Add to Part A of the Dental Letter immediately after the word "work "— "No treatment (other than emergency treatment) should be commenced or carried out until the Society has approved the Dentist's estimate. If you receive such treatment before this approval is notified by the Society, the Society may refuse to make any payment towards the cost of your treatment."
- (b) Add to Part C of the Dental Letter immediately after the word "cost "— "I declare that I have not made and do not intend to make any reimbursement or reduction of the charges set out in the said estimate."

(d) In the Estimate following Part F of the Dental Letter

(i) substitute the following for the portion relating to General Anaesthetics : "GENERAL ANAESTHETICS --- (Report attached hereto)

Administration fee..... No fee in excess of 7s. 6d. to be payable for the administration of a general anaesthetic unless a doctor or dentist (other than the dentist performing the extraction) administers the anaesthetic."

(ii) in the portion relating to Dentures add

"The patient $\frac{is}{is \text{ not}}$ in possession of dentures."

Given under the official seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 31st day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-six.

(L.S.)

E. C. Moffrey,

Secretary to the National

Health Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the official seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 31st day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-six.

(L.S.)

W. A. B. Iliff,

Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

Deposit Contributors.

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (DEPOSIT CONTRIBUTORS) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936, DATED JANUARY 31ST, 1936, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE AND THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1924 TO 1935.

1936. No. 21.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland acting jointly in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1924 to 1935, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations :—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1936, and shall be read as one with the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1930 (S. R. & O. of Northern Ireland, 1930, No. 171) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations").