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NATIONAL INSURANCE**Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation**

REGULATIONS, DATED 20TH OCTOBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services being the appropriate department of the Government of Northern Ireland for the purposes of section 103 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(a) to make regulations under that section modifying the scheme for the provision of pensions and other benefits established by regulations made under section 61 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland) 1948(b), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 103 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, Commencement and Interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969, and shall come into operation on 3rd November 1969.

(2) The National Insurance (Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966(c) and these regulations may be cited together as the National Insurance (Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966 and 1969.

(3) In these regulations “the regulations of 1966” means the National Insurance (Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966.

Amendments

2. Regulation 2 of the regulations of 1966 (which defines expressions used in the regulations) shall be amended as follows:—

(a) In paragraph (1) for the definition of “maximum graduated remuneration” there shall be substituted the following—

““maximum graduated remuneration” means, for any period of employment or part of a period prior to 6th January 1964, £780 per annum, and for any period of employment or part of a period commencing on or after that date £936 per annum;”

(b) After paragraph (1), there shall be added the following paragraph:—

“(1A) Where in respect of any period of non-participating employment which has become reckonable as service for the purposes of the principal regulations, equivalent pension benefits have been assured for the purposes of the Act of 1959, the Act of 1966, the

(a) 1966. c. 6 (N.I.).

(b) 1948. c. 3.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 280.

Great Britain Acts or the Isle of Man Act, as the case may be, there shall, for the purposes of these regulations, be deemed to have been made a payment in lieu of contributions of such amount as would otherwise have fallen to be paid in respect of such employment.”

- (c) After paragraph (3), there shall be added the following paragraph:—

“(3A) In respect of any amount of money which falls to be paid on or after 15th February 1971 (the day appointed under section 1 of the Decimal Currency Act 1967)(d), references in paragraph (3) of this regulation to a penny and to a halfpenny shall be read as referring to a new penny and to a new halfpenny respectively.”

3. For regulation 20(3) of the regulations of 1966 (which relates to pensions payable to optants) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“(3) In calculating for the purposes of paragraph (2) of this regulation the number of units of a person’s graduated contributions account shall be taken only of such number of units as is attributable to graduated contributions paid by the employee at the rate of 4¼% of the amount up to £468 per annum by which his remuneration exceeds £468 per annum.”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 20th day of October 1969.

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S. H. O’Fee,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations amend the National Insurance (Health Services Superannuation Scheme—Modification and Non-participation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966 under which the superannuation contributions and pensions of persons subject to the Health Services Superannuation Scheme are reduced to take account of graduated contributions and benefits payable under the National Insurance Scheme. The amending regulations exclude from the modification provisions the additional contributions and benefits payable in consequence of the National Insurance &c. (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1969. The regulations also provide for the reckoning of service, in respect of which equivalent pension benefits have been assured, to be subject to the same conditions as would have applied had a payment in lieu been made. A minor amendment is also made in anticipation of the introduction of decimal currency.