
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1998 No.

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1998

PART I

INTRODUCTION

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1998.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) of this article, this Order shall come into force for the purposes of—

- (a) articles 1, 2, 6, 22 and 27, on 1st April 1998;
- (b) article 8, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 1st April 1998, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Computation of Earnings Regulations;
- (c) article 10, on 5th April 1998;
- (d) articles 3 to 5, 7, 9, 11, 12 and 13, on 6th April 1998;
- (e) articles 14 and 15, on 9th April 1998;
- (f) articles 16, 17 and 26, on 7th April 1998;
- (g) articles 18, 19 and 20, in so far as they relate to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 6th April 1998, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Income Support Regulations;
- (h) article 21, in relation to a case where rent is payable at intervals of a week or any multiple thereof, on 6th April 1998, and in relation to any other case, on 1st April 1998;
- (i) articles 23, 24, and 25, in so far as they relate to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 6th April 1998, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations.

(3) The increases made—

- (a) in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Contributions and Benefits Act or the Pension Schemes Act; and
- (b) by article 23(c) of this Order in so far as it is relevant for the purposes referred to in article 6(11) of this Order,

shall take effect for each case on the date specified in relation to that case in article 6 of this Order.

(4) Subject to paragraph (6) of this article, any provision of this Order which is due to come into force on the same day as any provision of the Regulations listed in paragraph (5) of this article shall come into force immediately after that provision of those Regulations.

- (5) The Regulations referred to in paragraph (4) above are—
- (a) The Social Security (Non-Dependant Deductions) Regulations 1996(1); and
 - (b) The Social Security (Lone Parents) (Amendment) Regulations 1997(2).

(6) To the extent that article 21 of this Order comes into force on the same day as any provision of the Social Security (Lone Parents) (Amendment) Regulations 1997, that article shall come into force immediately before that provision of those Regulations.

Interpretation

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Computation of Earnings Regulations” means the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1996(3);

“the Contributions and Benefits Act” means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(4);

“the Council Tax Benefit Regulations” means the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992(5);

“the Disability Working Allowance Regulations” means the Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations 1991(6);

“the Family Credit Regulations” means the Family Credit (General) Regulations 1987(7);

“the Housing Benefit Regulations” means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987(8);

“the Income Support Regulations” means the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(9);

“the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations” means the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations 1996(10); and

“the Pension Schemes Act” means the Pension Schemes Act 1993(11).

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- (1) S.I.1996/2518.
 - (2) S.I. 1997/1790.
 - (3) S.I. 1996/2745.
 - (4) 1992 c. 4.
 - (5) S.I. 1992/1814; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1993/688 and 2118, 1994/1924, 1996/462, 1510, 1803, 2518 and 2545 and 1997/543.
 - (6) S.I. 1991/2887; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1992/2155, 1993/2119, 1995/482 and 1339, 1996/2545 and 1997/543 and 806.
 - (7) S.I. 1987/1973; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/660, 1992/2155, 1993/2119, 1995/1339, 1996/2545 and 1997/543 and 806.
 - (8) S.I. 1987/1971; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/1444, 1989/416 and 1017, 1990/546 and 1775, 1991/1599, 1992/50 and 1326, 1993/2118, 1994/578, 1996/462, 1803, 2518 and 2545 and 1997/543.
 - (9) S.I. 1987/1967; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/663, 910, 999, 1228, 1445 and 2022, 1989/534, 1034 and 1678, 1990/547, 1776 and 2324, 1992/50, 1326 and 3147, 1993/2119, 1994/527, 1995/516, 1613, 2287 and 2927, 1996/206, 1803, 2518 and 2545 and 1997/543, 1790, 2197 and 2604.
 - (10) S.I. 1996/207; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/1516, 1517, 1803, 2518, 2538 and 2545 and 1997/543 and 1790.
 - (11) 1993 c. 48.