#### DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2018 No.

# The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2018

#### PART 3

### INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

#### **Housing Benefit**

- **23.**—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 4 and 5 to this Order; and unless otherwise stated, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Housing Benefit Regulations bearing that number.
  - (2) In regulation 27(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) "£175.00" remains unchanged; and
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) "£300" remains unchanged.
  - (3) In regulation 74(1) (non-dependant deductions)—
    - (a) in paragraph (1)(a) for "£95.45" substitute "£98.30";
    - (b) in paragraph (1)(b) for "£14.80" substitute "£15.25";
    - (c) in paragraph (2)(a) for "£136.00" substitute "£139.00";
    - (d) in paragraph (2)(b)—
      - (i) for "£34.00" substitute "£35.00";
      - (ii) for "£136.00" substitute "£139.00"; and
      - (iii) for "£200.00" substitute "£204.00";
    - (e) in paragraph (2)(c)—
      - (i) for "£46.65" substitute "£48.05";
      - (ii) for "£200.00" substitute "£204.00"; and
      - (iii) for "£259.00" substitute "£265.00";
    - (f) in paragraph (2)(d)—
      - (i) for "£76.35" substitute "£78.65";
      - (ii) for "£259.00" substitute "£265.00"; and
      - (iii) for "£346.00" substitute "£354.00"; and
    - (g) in paragraph (2)(e)—
      - (i) for "£86.95" substitute "£89.55";
      - (ii) for "£346.00" substitute "£354.00"; and
      - (iii) for "£430.00" substitute "£439.00".

- (4) In paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges), for "£27.10", "£27.10", "£13.75", "£18.05", "£18.05", "£9.10" and "£3.35" substitute "£27.90", "£27.90", "£14.15", "£18.60", "£18.60", "£9.35" and "£3.45" respectively.
  - (5) In paragraph 6 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (payments in respect of fuel charges)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for "£28.80" substitute "£30.30";
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d) for "£3.35" substitute "£3.50"; and
    - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for "£2.30" substitute "£2.40".
- (6) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 3(2) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 4 to this Order.
  - (7) In paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 3(3) (applicable amounts: family premium)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) "£22.20" remains unchanged; and
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) "£17.45" remains unchanged.
- (8) The sums specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.
- (9) In paragraph 26 of Part 6 of Schedule 3(4) (amount of component) for "£36.55" substitute "£37.65".
- (10) In paragraph 17(1)(5) and (3)(c) of Schedule 4 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) "£17.10" remains unchanged.
- (11) In paragraph 56 of Schedule 5 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) "£17.10" remains unchanged.

<sup>(2)</sup> Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2008/1082 and 2015/457.

<sup>(3)</sup> Part 2 of Schedule 3 was omitted by S.I. 2015/1857. Regulation 4 of that S.I. makes transitional arrangements in connection with the abolition of the Family Premium.

<sup>(4)</sup> Part 6 was inserted by S.I. 2008/1082 (as amended by S.I. 2008/2428) and amended by S.I. 2017/204 and 260.

<sup>(5)</sup> Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2009/2608 and 2010/793.