



Child Support Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 48

Miscellaneous and supplemental

47 Fees.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide for the payment, by the [F¹non-resident parent] or the person with care (or by both), of such fees as may be prescribed in cases where the Secretary of State takes any action under section 4 or 6.
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide for the payment, by the [F¹non-resident parent], the person with care or the child concerned (or by any or all of them), of such fees as may be prescribed in cases where the Secretary of State takes any action under section 7.
- (3) Regulations made under this section—
- (a) may require any information which is needed for the purpose of determining the amount of any such fee to be furnished, in accordance with the regulations, by such person as may be prescribed;
 - (b) shall provide that no such fees shall be payable by any person to or in respect of whom income support, [F²an income-based jobseeker's allowance,][F³] any element of child tax credit other than the family element, working tax credit] or any other benefit of a prescribed kind is paid; and
 - (c) may, in particular, make provision with respect to the recovery by the Secretary of State of any fees payable under the regulations.
- [F⁴(4) The provisions of this Act with respect to—
- (a) the collection of child support maintenance;
 - (b) the enforcement of any obligation to pay child support maintenance,
- shall apply equally (with any necessary modifications) to fees payable by virtue of regulations made under this section.]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Act substituted (31.1.2001 for specified purposes, 3.3.2003 for specified purposes) by [Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 \(c. 19\), s. 86\(1\)\(a\)\(2\), Sch. 3 para. 11\(2\)](#) (with [s. 83\(6\)](#)); [S.I. 2000/3354, art. 2\(1\)\(b\)](#); [S.I. 2003/192, art. 3, Sch.](#)
- F2** Words in s. 47(3) inserted (7.10.1996) by [Jobseekers Act 1995 \(c. 18\), s. 41\(2\), Sch. 2 para. 20\(5\)](#); [S.I. 1996/2208, art. 2\(b\)](#)
- F3** Words in [s. 47\(3\)\(b\)](#) substituted (6.4.2003) by [Tax Credits Act 2002 \(c. 21\), s. 61, Sch. 3 para. 22](#); [S.I. 2003/962, art. 2\(3\)\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- F4** S. 47(4) inserted (10.11.2000 for specified purposes, 3.3.2003 for specified purposes) by [Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 \(c. 19\), s. 86\(1\)\(a\)\(2\), Sch. 3 para. 11\(18\)](#) (with [s. 83\(6\)](#)); [S.I. 2000/2994, art. 2, Sch. Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2003/192, art. 3, Sch.](#)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 47 wholly in force at 17.6.1992 see s. 58(2) and [S.I. 1992/1431, art. 2, Sch.](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 47 repealed by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 8](#)
- s. 47(1)(2) words inserted by [1995 c. 34 Sch. 3 para. 13](#)
- s. 47(3)(b) words inserted by [2007 c. 5 Sch. 3 para. 7\(6\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2010/875 reg. 16Sch. 2](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4(3A)(3B) inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 4(4)(d) and word inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 1\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 6(2A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 3 para. 4\(2\)](#)
- s. 7(4A)(4B) inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 2\(2\)](#)
- s. 7(5)(d) and word inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 9A inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 138](#)
- s. 9A(1)(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(2\)](#)
- s. 9A(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(2\)](#)
- s. 9A(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(3\)](#)
- s. 9A(6) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(4\)](#)
- s. 20(1)(ba) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(3) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 97\(2\)](#)
- s. 20(1)(ba) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(2)(aa) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(4\)](#)
- s. 20(3A)(3B) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. Sch. 11 para. 6(2) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 108\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(5A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(5\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(6) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 97\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(6\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) words substituted by [S.I. 2008/2833 Sch. 3 para. 81\(b\)](#)
- s. 30(5A) added by [1995 c. 34 Sch. 3 para. 9](#)
- s. 31(8)(9) substituted for s. 31(8) by [2008 c. 6 s. 21](#)
- s. 32M32N inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 25](#)
- s. 32M(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 25 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 79\(2\)](#)
- s. 32M(1) substituted by [2023 c. 35 s. 2](#)
- s. 32M(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 25 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 79\(3\)](#)
- s. 32M(3) words substituted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(3\)](#)
- s. 32N(2)(ba) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 3](#)
- s. 32N(3)-(5) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(2\)](#)
- s. 38(1)(aa) inserted by [2007 asp 3 Sch. 5 para. 18\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 38(1)(aa) word substituted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 3 para. 40\(b\)](#) (This amendment will come into force (a) in relation to Scotland, immediately after 2007 asp 3, Sch. 5 par. 18(a)(i) comes into force, and (b) in relation to England and Wales,

	immediately after 2007 asp 3, Sch. 5 par. 18(a)(i) extends to England and Wales. See S.I. 2008/2675, art. 2)
-	s. 39B(3)(b)(c) words substituted by 2010 c. 40 Sch. para. 7(2)
-	s. 39C(1)-(1B) substituted for s. 39C(1) by 2009 c. 24 s. 51(3)
-	s. 39E(1A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 5(3)
-	s. 39F(2)(e) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 6 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 100(4)
-	s. 39F(2)(f) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 6 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 100(4)
-	s. 39H-39Q inserted by 2008 c. 6 s. 28
-	s. 39H(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(2)(a)
-	s. 39H(2)-(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(2)(b)
-	s. 39K(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)
-	s. 39K(4)(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)
-	s. 39K(6) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)
-	s. 39M(2)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(4)
-	s. 39N(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(5)
-	s. 39N(7)(8) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(5)
-	s. 39P(2)(g) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(6)
-	s. 39Q(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(7)
-	s. 39CA39CB inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 51(4)
-	s. 39CA(11) omitted by S.I. 2015/583 Sch. 2 para. 7
-	s. 39CB(5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(4) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(4)(a)
-	s. 39CB(6)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(4) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(4)(b)
-	s. 39DA heading amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(a)
-	s. 39DA inserted by 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5)
-	s. 39DA(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(b)
-	s. 39DA(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(c)
-	s. 39DA(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(d)
-	s. 40(2A) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(a)
-	s. 40(2A)-(2D) inserted by 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1)
-	s. 40(2B) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(b)
-	s. 40(2D)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(b)
-	s. 40(10)-(10C) substituted for s. 40(10) by 2008 c. 6 s. 29(2)
-	s. 40A(A1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(3)(a)
-	s. 40A(A2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(3)(b)
-	s. 40A(A1)-(A4) inserted by 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3)

- s. 40A(A4)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 40A(6)(a) words in s. 40A(6) renumbered as s. 40A(6)(a) by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(14\)](#)
- s. 40A(6)(b) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(14\)](#)
- s. 40A(7A)-(7D) inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 29\(4\)](#)
- s. 40B(A1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(2\)](#)
- s. 40B(A3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(3\)](#)
- s. 40B(A1)-(1) substituted for heading and s. 40B(1) by [2008 c. 6 s. 30\(1\)](#)
- s. 40B(A5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(3\)](#)
- s. 40B(10)-(10C) substituted for s. 40B(10) by [2008 c. 6 s. 30\(2\)](#)
- s. 40B(13) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(18\)](#)
- s. 49A inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 34](#)
- s. 49A(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(2\)](#)
- s. 49A(2)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(3\)](#)
- s. 49A(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(4\)](#)
- s. 49A(4) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(5\)](#)
- s. 49A(5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(8)(b) words inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 3\(4\)](#)
- s. 49A(9)(d) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(10)(b) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(10)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49B49C inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 39](#)
- s. 49B(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 49B(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 49B(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(3\)](#)
- s. 49B(3)(b) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(3\)](#)
- s. 50(5)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2008/2833 Sch. 3 para. 95\(e\)](#)
- s. 52(2A)(aa) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(4\)](#)