



Social Security Administration Act 1992

1992 CHAPTER 5

PART I

CLAIMS FOR AND PAYMENTS AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFIT

Community charge benefits etc.

6 Regulations about community charge benefits administration

[^{F1}(1) Regulations may provide as follows as regards [^{F2}council tax benefit]—

- (a) for requiring a claim for a benefit to be made by such person, in such manner and within such time as may be prescribed;
- (b) for treating a claim made in such circumstances as may be prescribed as having been made at such date earlier or later than that at which it is made as may be prescribed;
- (c) for permitting a claim to be made, or treated as if made, for a period wholly or partly after the date on which it is made;
- (d) for permitting an award on a claim to be made for such a period subject to the condition that the claimant satisfies the requirements for entitlement when benefit becomes payable, or any right to a reduction ^{F3}... becomes available, under the award;
- (e) for a review of any award if those requirements are found not to have been satisfied;
- (f) for the disallowance on any ground of a person's claim for a benefit to be treated as a disallowance of any further claim by that person for that benefit until the grounds of the original disallowance have ceased to exist;
- (g) for enabling one person to act for another in relation to a claim for a benefit and for enabling such a claim to be made and proceeded with in the name of a person who has died;
- (h) for requiring any information or evidence needed for the determination of a claim or of any question arising in connection with a claim to be furnished by such person as may be prescribed in accordance with the regulations;

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- [^{F4}(hh) for requiring such person as may be prescribed in accordance with the regulations to furnish any information or evidence needed for a determination whether a decision on an award of a benefit—
 - (i) should be revised under paragraph 3 of Schedule 7 to the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000; or
 - (ii) should be superseded under paragraph 4 of that Schedule;]
 - (i) for the time when and manner in which any benefit (or part) which takes the form of a payment is to be paid, and for the information and evidence to be furnished in connection with the payment;
 - (j) for the time when the right to make a reduction ^{F5}... may be exercised;
 - (k) for notice to be given of any change of circumstances affecting the continuance of entitlement to a benefit;
 - (l) for the day on which entitlement to a benefit is to begin or end;
 - (m) for calculating the amount of a benefit according to a prescribed scale or otherwise adjusting it so as to avoid fractional amounts or facilitate computation;
 - ^{F6}(n)
 - ^{F7}(o)
 - (p) in the case of any benefit (or part) which takes the form of a payment, for payment or distribution to or among persons claiming to be entitled on the death of any person, and for dispensing with strict proof of their title;
 - (q) in the case of any benefit (or part) which takes the form of a payment, for the circumstances and manner in which payment may be made to one person on behalf of another for any purpose, which may be to discharge, in whole or in part, an obligation of the person entitled to the benefit or any other person;
 - (r) for making a payment on account of a benefit, or conferring a right to make a reduction ^{F8}... on account, where no claim has been made and it is impracticable for one to be made immediately;
 - (s) for making a payment on account of a benefit, or conferring a right to make a reduction ^{F9}... on account, where a claim has been made but it is impracticable for the claim or an appeal, reference, review or application relating to it to be determined immediately;
 - (t) for making a payment on account of a benefit, or conferring a right to make a reduction ^{F10}... on account, where an award has been made but it is impracticable to institute the benefit immediately;
 - (u) generally as to administration.

(2) Regulations under this section may include [^{F11}provision in relation to council tax benefit that prescribed provisions shall apply instead of prescribed provisions of Part I or II of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, or that prescribed provisions of either of those Parts shall not apply] or shall apply subject to prescribed amendments or adaptations.

[^{F12}(3) References in subsection (2) above to either of the Parts there mentioned include references to regulations made under the Part concerned.]]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 6 repealed with savings (1.4.2013 in so far as relates to the abolition of council tax benefit) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2013/358, art. 8\(c\), Sch. 4](#) (with [arts. 9, 10, Sch. 5](#))

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- F2** Words in s. 6(1) substituted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 6(1)(d) omitted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(b\), Sch. 14](#)
- F4** S. 6(1)(hh) inserted (1.11.2000 for specified purposes, 2.7.2001 in so far as not already in force) by [Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 \(c. 19\), s. 68, Sch. 7 para. 21\(2\); S.I. 2000/2950, art. 3\(c\); S.I. 2001/1252, art. 2\(2\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- F5** Words in s. 6(1)(j) repealed (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(c\), Sch. 14](#)
- F6** S. 6(1)(n) repealed (2.7.2001) by [Social Security Act 1998 \(c. 14\), s. 86\(1\)\(2\), Sch. 7 para. 80, Sch. 8; S.I. 2001/2316, art. 2\(a\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- F7** S. 6(1)(o) repealed (2.7.2001) by [Social Security Act 1998 \(c. 14\), s. 86\(1\)\(2\), Sch. 7 para. 80, Sch. 8; S.I. 2001/2316, art. 2\(a\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- F8** Words in s. 6(1)(r) omitted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(c\), Sch. 14](#)
- F9** Words in s. 6(1)(s) omitted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(c\), Sch. 14](#)
- F10** Words in s. 6(1)(t) omitted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(1\)\(c\), Sch. 14](#)
- F11** Words in s. 6(2) substituted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(2\)](#)
- F12** S. 6(3) substituted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 12\(3\)](#)

7 Relationship between ^{F13}community charge benefits and other] benefits

(1) Regulations may provide for a claim for one relevant benefit to be treated, either in the alternative or in addition, as a claim for any other relevant benefit that may be prescribed.

^{F14}(2) Regulations may provide for treating a payment made or right conferred by virtue of regulations—

^{F15}(a)

(b) under section 6(l)(r) to (t) above,

as made or conferred on account of any relevant benefit that is subsequently awarded or paid.]

(3) For the purposes of ^{F16}subsection (1)] above relevant benefits are—

(a) any benefit to which section 5 above applies; ^{F17}and

(b) ^{F18}council tax benefit].]

Textual Amendments

- F13** Words in s. 7 heading repealed with savings (1.4.2013 in so far as relates to the abolition of council tax benefit) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 1; S.I. 2013/358, art. 8\(c\), Sch. 4 \(with arts. 9, 10, Sch. 5\)](#)
- F14** S. 7(2) repealed with savings (1.4.2013 in so far as relates to the abolition of council tax benefit) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 1; S.I. 2013/358, art. 8\(c\), Sch. 4 \(with arts. 9, 10, Sch. 5\)](#)
- F15** S. 7(2)(a) repealed (1.4.2013) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 11; S.I. 2013/358, art. 4](#)

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- F16** Words in s. 7(3) substituted (1.4.2013 in so far as relates to the abolition of council tax benefit) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 3 para. 5](#); S.I. 2013/358, art. 8(b)
- F17** S. 7(3)(b) and preceding word repealed with savings (1.4.2013 in so far as relates to the abolition of council tax benefit) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\), s. 150\(3\), Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#); S.I. 2013/358, art. 8(c), Sch. 4 (with arts. 9, 10, Sch. 5)
- F18** Words in s. 7(3)(b) substituted (1.4.1993) by [Local Government Finance Act 1992 \(c. 14\), s. 118\(4\), Sch. 9 para. 13](#)

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

- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2018/1125 reg. 8](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2018/1125, reg. 8 omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Act 2020 (c. 24), s. 4(3), Sch. 5 para. 4(4))
- Act modified by [S.I. 2019/1302 art. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk S.I. 2019/1302 revoked (17.12.2020) by The Social Security (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway) (Citizens' Rights Agreement) (Revocation) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/1569), arts. 1(2), 2)
- Act modified by [S.I. 2019/1303 art. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2019/1303 revoked (17.12.2020) by The Social Security (Switzerland) (Citizens' Rights Agreement) (Revocation) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/1570), arts. 1(2), 2)

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

- s. 2G(1)(d) inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 59\(5\)](#)
- s. 5(1A)-(1C) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 22\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 22 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 101(2); S.I. 2013/358, art. 4(2))
- s. 78A inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 16\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 16-21 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 73; S.I. 2012/3090, art. 2(1)(b))
- s. 121B(1)(aa) inserted by [2007 asp 3 Sch. 5 para. 19\(a\)](#) (S. 121B repealed by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), Sch. 43 para. 14)
- s. 121B(4) words inserted by [2007 asp 3 Sch. 5 para. 19\(b\)](#) (S. 121B repealed by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), Sch. 43 para. 14)
- s. 122F(5) inserted by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 4 para. 12\(4\)](#)
- s. 122G inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 18](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 16-21 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 73; S.I. 2012/3090, art. 2(1)(b))
- s. 122H inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 20\(3\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 16-21 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 73; S.I. 2012/3090, art. 2(1)(b))
- s. 134(2)-(2B) substituted for s. 134(2) by [2007 c. 5 s. 37](#)
- s. 148AB inserted by [2008 c. 30 Sch. 4 para. 14](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 paras. 13-22 repealed (1.10.2014) without ever being in force by 2014 c. 19, Sch. 12 para. 96(c); S.I. 2014/2377, art. 2(1)(a)(ii)(3)(c))
- s. 148AB(1)(2) words substituted by [2011 c. 19 Sch. 3 para. 8\(2\)](#)
- s. 148AB(9) inserted by [2011 c. 19 Sch. 3 para. 8\(3\)](#)
- s. 151(10)(b)(i)(ii) repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 160C inserted by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 2 para. 24](#)
- s. 165(1)(b)(viii) and word inserted by [2023 c. 20 Sch. para. 19\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 190(1)(ac) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 21](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Ss. 16-21 repealed (1.4.2013) by 2012 c. 5, s. 73; S.I. 2012/3090, art. 2(1)(b))
- Sch. 4 Pt. 3 para. 5 word substituted by [S.I. 2010/978 art. 2](#)