



Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

1992 CHAPTER 7

N.I.

An Act to consolidate for Northern Ireland certain enactments relating to social security contributions and benefits, with corrections and minor improvements under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949. [13th February 1992]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act amended (1.7.1992) by [Social Security \(Consequential Provisions\) \(Northern Ireland\) Act 1992 \(c. 9\), ss. 2\(3\), 7\(2\)](#)
Act amended (5.7.1999, 6.9.1999, 5.10.1999, 18.10.1999 and 29.11.1999 for different purposes, otherwise prosp.) by [S.I. 1998/1506 \(N.I. 10\), arts. 1\(2\), 9](#); [S.R. 1999/310, art. 2\(1\)\(b\), Sch. 1](#) (with arts. 4, 14); [S.R. 1999/371, art. 2\(b\), Sch. 1](#) (with arts. 4, 18); [S.R. 1999/407, art. 2\(b\), Sch.](#) (with art. 4); [S.R. 1999/428, art. 2\(b\), Sch. 1](#) (with arts. 4, 16); [S.R. 1999/472, art. 2\(1\)\(a\)\(2\), Sch. 1](#) (with arts. 20-22)
Act amended (11.5.2001) by [2001 c. 20, s. 5\(5\)](#)
- C2** Act: power to amend conferred (1.7.1992) by [Social Security Administration Act 1992 \(c. 5\), ss. 177\(5\)\(b\), 189\(11\), 192\(4\)](#)
Act: power to modify conferred (1.7.1992) by [Social Security Administration \(Northern Ireland\) Act 1992 \(c. 8\), ss. 155\(4\)\(5\), 168\(4\)](#)
Act: power to repeal or amend conferred (1.7.1992) by [Social Security \(Consequential Provisions\) \(Northern Ireland\) Act 1992 \(c. 9\), ss. 5, 7\(2\), Sch. 3 Pt. I para. 7\(1\)](#)
Act: power to amend conferred (1.7.1992) by [Social Security \(Consequential Provisions\) \(Northern Ireland\) Act 1992 \(c. 9\), ss. 5, 7\(2\), Sch. 3 Pt. II paras. 12, 13, 14, 21\(3\)\(4\)\(c\)](#)

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- Act: power to modify conferred (1.6.1996 for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations and 6.4.1997 otherwise) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), **arts. 1**, 146(1)(2); S.R. 1996/91, **art. 2(f)**; S.R. 1997/192, **art. 2(b)**
- Act: power to exclude conferred (24.7.1996) by 1996 c. 49, **ss. 11(1)(b)(2)**, 13(3)
- Act: power to amend conferred (2.12.1999) by 1998 c. 47, **s. 87**; S.I. 1999/3209, **art. 2**, **Sch.**
- Act: power to issue payment conferred (prosp.) by S.I. 1998/1759 (N.I. 13), **arts. 1(2)**, 71
- Act: power to modify conferred (temp. from 24.3.1999) by S.I. 1999/671, **arts. 1(2)(c)**, 14(1)(2)(b), **Sch. 6** (with savings and transitional provisions in **Sch. 7**)
- Act: power to modify conferred (1.4.1999) by 1999 c. 2, **s. 15(1)(2)(b)**; S.I. 1999/527, **art. 2(b)**, **Sch. 2**
- Act: power to modify conferred (5.10.1999) by 1999 c. 10, **ss. 2**, 20, **Sch. 2 para. 30**
- Act: power to amend or apply conferred (8.7.2002) by Employment Act 2002 (c. 22), **ss. 46(3)(d)(iii)**, 55(2)
- C3** Act modified (1.7.1992) by Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8), **ss. 30(10)**, 115(4), 168(4)
- Act modified (27.7.1992) by S.R. 1992/328, **art. 2**.
- Act modified (31.12.1992) by S.R. 1992/560, **art. 2**, S.R. 1992/561, **art.2**, S.R. 1992/562, **art.2**, S.R. 1992/563, **art. 2** and S.R. 1992/564, **art. 2**
- Act modified (7.2.1994) by 1993 c. 49, **s. 42(1)(a)**; S.R. 1994/17, **art. 2**
- Act modified (4.7.1994) by S.R. 1995/262, **art. 2**
- Act modified (2.11.1994) by S.R. 1994/427, **art. 2**
- Act modified (13.4.1995) by: S.R. 1995/35, **regs. 16**, 18, 21, 26, 31; S.R. 1995/110, **art. 2**; S.R. 1994/485, **regs. 2-4**; S.R. 1994/485, **reg. 16** (as added by S.R. 1995/150, **reg. 23**); S.R. 1995/150, **Pt. III**, **reg. 24**
- C4** Act modified (1.12.1995) by The Social Security (Canada) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995 (S.R. 1995/405), **art. 2** (as amended (15.7.2015) by S.R. 2015/281, **reg. 3(2)**)
- C5** Act modified (16.12.1995) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), **arts. 1(3)**, 123, **Sch. 2 Pt. I para. 1**
- Act modified (1.9.1999) by: S.R. 1999/349, **reg. 2(2)**, **Sch.**; S.R. 1999/350, **reg. 2(2)**, **Sch.**
- Act modified (5.10.1999) by 1999 c. 10, **ss. 2**, 20, **Sch. 2 para. 29**
- Act modified (1.8.2000) by S.R. 2000/246, **art. 2**, **Sch.**
- Act modified by S.R. 2000/377, **art. 2**, **Sch.** (the amendment coming into force in accordance with **art. 1(1)** of the amending S.R.)
- C6** Act excluded (1.7.1992) by Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 8), **ss. 161**, 168(4), **Sch. 6 para. 1(7)**
- Act excluded (prosp.) by Children (Leaving Care) Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 11 (N.I.)), **ss. 6**, 9
- C7** Act explained (1.7.1992) by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (c. 9), **ss. 5**, 7(2), **Sch. 3 Pt. I para. 1(2)**
- C8** Act: certain functions transferred (5.10.1999) by 1999 c. 10, **ss. 2**, 20, **Sch. 2 para. 7(c)**
- Act: functions transferred from the Department of Health and Social Services to the Department for Social Development (1.12.1999) by S.R. 1999/481, **art. 8(b)**, **Sch. 6 Pt. II**
- Act: certain functions of the Secretary of State and the Northern Ireland Department transferred (prosp.) to the Board by Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21), **ss. 50**, 61 (subject to **s. 49** and with **s. 54(2)(3)(5)(7)(9)**)
- C9** Act restricted (1.1.2000 for specified purposes and otherwise 3.4.2000) by 1999 c. 33, **s. 115(1)**; S.I. 1999/3190, **art. 2**, **Sch.**; S.I. 2000/464, **art. 2**, **Sch.**
- C10** Act: transfer of functions (1.4.2003 for specified purposes, 7.4.2003 in so far as not already in force) by Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21), **ss. 50(2)(c)**, 61 (with **s. 54(2)(3)(5)(7)(9)**); S.I. 2003/392, **art. 2**
- C11** Act restricted (30.6.2005 for specified purposes, 1.9.2005 in so far as not already in force) by Children (Leaving Care) Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 11), **ss. 6(1)**, 9(3); S.R. 2005/319, **art. 2**
- C12** Act modified (5.12.2005) by The Social Security (Reciprocal Agreements) Order (Northern Ireland) 2005 (S.R. 2005/544), **art. 2**, **Sch.**
- C13** Act modified (1.6.2007) by The Social Security (Netherlands) Order (Northern Ireland) 2007 (S.R. 2007/295), **art. 2**

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- C14** Act modified (1.6.2007) by The Transfer of State Pensions and Benefits Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 (S.R. 2007/286), **reg. 8(3)**
- C15** Act modified (1.10.2007) by The Social Security (Ireland) Order (Northern Ireland) 2007 (S.R. 2007/438), art. 2, Sch. 1, **Sch. 2**
- C16** Act modified (6.4.2010) by The Social Security (Widow's Benefit Retirement Pensions and Other Benefits) (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 (S.R. 1979/244), **regs. 3-19** (as amended by S.R. 2010/20, art. 2)
- C17** Act applied in part (with modifications) (1.10.2010) by The Employment and Support Allowance (Transitional Provisions and Housing Benefit) (Existing Awards) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 (S.R. 2010/312), regs. 1, 16, **Sch. 2** (with reg. 3)
- C18** Act modified (1.6.2015) by The Social Security (Contributions) (Republic of Chile) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015/179), **art. 2**
- C19** Act modified (6.4.2016) by The Social Security (Reciprocal Agreements) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016/188), arts. 1, 2, Sch. 1, **Sch. 2**
- C20** Act modified (6.4.2016) by The Social Security (Reciprocal Agreement) (Isle of Man) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016/189), arts. 1, **2**
- C21** Act modified (6.4.2017) by The Social Security (Reciprocal Agreements) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017 (S.R. 2017/73), arts. 1, **2**
- C22** Act modified (coming into force in accordance with art. 1 of the amending Rule) by The Social Security (Ireland) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/77), **art. 2**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- C23** Act modified (coming into force in accordance with art. 1 of the amending Rule) by The Social Security (Switzerland) (Citizens' Rights Agreement) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 (S.R. 2019/212), **art. 2(2)(b)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- C24** Act modified (1.1.2021) by The Social Security (Norway) Order (Northern Ireland) 2020 (S.R. 2020/357), arts. 1(2), 2, **Sch.**

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