



# Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

## 1992 CHAPTER 7

### PART II

#### CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

##### *Retirement pensions (Categories A and B)*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>48C Category B retirement pension: general.**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, a person's entitlement to a Category B retirement pension shall begin on the day on which the conditions of entitlement become satisfied and shall continue for life.
- (2) In any case where—
  - (a) a person would, apart from section 43(1) above, be entitled both to a Category A and to a Category B retirement pension, and
  - (b) section 47(1) above would apply for the increase of the Category A retirement pension,section 47(1) above shall be taken as applying also for the increase of the Category B retirement pension, subject to reduction or extinguishment of the increase by the application of section 47(2) above or section 42(5) of the Pensions Act.
- (3) In the case of a pensioner whose spouse died on or before [<sup>F2</sup>5th October 2002]], [<sup>F3</sup>section] 48B(2)(b) above shall have effect with the omission of the words "half of".
- (4) In the application of the provisions of section 44 to [<sup>F4</sup>45B] above [<sup>F5</sup> and [<sup>F6</sup>Schedules 4A and 4B] to this Act] by virtue of sections <sup>F7</sup>... [<sup>F8</sup>48B(2) or 48BB(5)] above, references in those provisions to the pensioner shall be taken as references to the spouse [<sup>F9</sup> or civil partner].

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 48A-48C substituted for ss. 49, 50 (16.12.1995 subject to Sch. 2 of the amending S.I.) by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I. 22), arts. 1(3), 123, **Sch. 2 Pt. II para. 3(1)**
- F2** Words in s. 48C(3) substituted (*retrospectively*) by virtue of 2000 c. 4 (N.I.), **s. 35(1)(a)(2)(b)**
- F3** Word in s. 48C(3) substituted (6.4.2016) by Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 5), s. 53(3), **Sch. 12 para. 55(2)**
- F4** Words in s. 48C(4) substituted (1.12.2000) by S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11), art. 74, **Sch. 9 para. 11**; S.R. 2000/133, art. 2(3), **Sch. Pt. IV**
- F5** Words in s. 48C(4) inserted (8.1.2001, 1.2.2001 for specified purposes and 6.4.2002 otherwise) by 2000 c. 4 (N.I.), **s. 33(12)**; S.R. 2000/358, art. 2(e), **Sch. Pt. IV** (as amended by S.R. 2000/374, **art. 3**); S.R. 2001/34, **art. 2(a)**
- F6** Words in s. 48C(4) substituted (11.2.2008) by Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2008 (c. 1), **Sch. 2 para. 10**
- F7** Word in s. 48C(4) omitted (6.4.2016) by virtue of Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 5), s. 53(3), **Sch. 12 para. 55(3)**
- F8** Words in s. 48C(4) substituted (24.4.2000 for specified purposes and 9.4.2001 otherwise) by S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11), art. 67, **Sch. 8 para. 6**; S.R. 2000/133, art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. Pt. I**
- F9** Words in s. 48C(4) inserted (5.12.2005) by The Civil Partnership (Pensions and Benefit Payments) (Consequential, etc. Provisions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2005 (S.R. 2005/434), art. 1(3), **Sch. para. 2**

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