



National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) Act 2023

2023 CHAPTER 57

1 Reduction of Class 1 main primary percentage

- (1) In the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, in section 8(2)(a) (main primary percentage), for “12 per cent” substitute “10%”.
- (2) In the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992, in section 8(2)(a) (main primary percentage), for “12 per cent” substitute “10%”.
- (3) In regulation 131 of the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 2001—
 - (a) omit “On and after 6th April 2011”, and
 - (b) for “5.85 per cent” substitute “3.85%”.
- (4) The amendments made by [this section](#) come into force on 6 January 2024.

2 Reduction of main Class 4 percentage

- (1) In the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992, in section 15(3ZA)(a), for “9 per cent” substitute “8%”.
- (2) In the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992, in section 15(3ZA)(a), for “9 per cent” substitute “8%”.
- (3) The amendments made by [this section](#) come into force on 6 April 2024.

3 Removal of requirement to pay Class 2 contributions

- (1) In section 11 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (Class 2 contributions)—
 - (a) omit subsection (2),
 - (b) in subsection (4), omit paragraph (a),
 - (c) omit subsection (5),
 - (d) in subsection (5A), omit the words from “but” to the end,

- (e) in subsection (5B), omit “under subsection (2)”, and
 - (f) in subsection (8), for “subsections (2) and” substitute “subsection”.
- (2) In section 11 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 (Class 2 contributions)—
- (a) omit subsection (2),
 - (b) in subsection (4), omit paragraph (a),
 - (c) omit subsection (5),
 - (d) in subsection (5A), omit the words from “but” to the end,
 - (e) in subsection (5B), omit “under subsection (2)”, and
 - (f) in subsection (8), for “subsections (2) and” substitute “subsection”.
- (3) The amendments made by [this section](#) come into force on 6 April 2024.

4 Transitional and consequential provision

[The Schedule](#) contains transitional and consequential provision.

5 Short title

This Act may be cited as the National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) Act 2023.