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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations 1975

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>3rd April 1975</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>4th April 1975</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>6th April 1975</i>

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred upon her by sections 21(3), 30(3), 32(5), 82(5), 114(1), 131 and 132 of the Social Security Act 1975(a) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, without having referred any proposals on the matter to the National Insurance Advisory Committee or the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council since it appears to her that by reason of urgency it is inexpedient to do so, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations 1975 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1975.

(2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Social Security Act 1975;

►¹“bereavement allowance” means an allowance referred to in section 39B of the Social Security Contribution and Benefits Act 1992(b);

“bereavement benefit” means a benefit referred to in section 20(1)(ea)(c) of the Contributions and Benefits Act;◄

►²“bereavement payment” means a payment under section 36 of the Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(d);◄

►³“the Child Benefit Act” means the Child Benefit Act 1975(e);◄

►⁴“the Contributions and Benefits Act” means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992;◄

“the Contributions Regulations” means the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations ►⁵1979◄(f);

“the former Death Grant Regulations” means the National Insurance (Death Grant) Regulations 1973(g);

“the former Principal Act” means the National Insurance Act 1965(h);

“the former Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions Regulations” means the National Insurance (Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1972(i);

►⁶“guaranteed minimum pension” has the meaning given to it in section 26(2) of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975(j) as construed in accordance with section 9 of the Social Security Act 1986(k);◄

¹Defns. of “bereavement allowance” & “bereavement benefit” inserted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

²Defn. of “bereavement payment” inserted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 2001/2618 as from 20.8.01.

³Defn. inserted in reg. 1(2) by reg. 13(2) of S.I. 1977/342 as from 4.4.77.

⁴Defn. of “the Contributions and Benefits Act” inserted by reg. 9 of S.I. 1992/2595 as from 16.11.92.

⁵Year substituted in defn. in reg. 1(2) by reg. 3(2) of S.I. 1981/1157 as from 1.4.82.

⁶Defn. of “guaranteed minimum pension” inserted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1990/621 as from 6.4.90.

(a) 1975 c. 14.

(b) Section 39B was inserted by section 55(2) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

(c) Section 20(1)(ea) was inserted by paragraph 3(2)(b) of Schedule 8 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

(d) 1992 c. 4. Section 36 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act was substituted by section 54(1) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

(e) 1975 c. 61.

(f) S.I. 1979/591.

(g) S.I. 1973/1124.

(h) 1965 c. 51.

(i) S.I. 1972/606

(j) 1975 c. 60; section 26(2) has been amended by paragraph 12(b) of Schedule 10 to the Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50).

(k) 1986 c. 50.

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¹Defn. of “her husband” omitted and defn. of “the other party” inserted by reg. 3(a) & (b) of S.I. 2010/788 as from 6.4.10.

²Defn. of “jobseeker’s allowance” inserted by reg. 23(2) of S.I. 2013/630 as from 29.4.13.

³Defn. of “serving member of the forces” inserted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1990/40 as from 8.2.90.

⁴Defn. of “shared additional pension” inserted by reg. 4(2) of S.I. 2005/1551 as from 6.7.05.

⁵Defn. of “widowed parents allowance” inserted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

⁶Defns. of “child benefit” & “entitled to child benefits” inserted by reg. 13(2) of S.I. 1977/342 as from 4.4.77.

⁷Words substituted by reg. 16 of S.I. 1984/1303 as from 29.11.84.

⁸Words in heading to reg. 2 substituted by reg. 7(a) of S.I. 1995/829 as from 13.4.95.

⁹Words inserted and substituted in reg. 2(1) by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1994/268 as from 8.3.94, subject to saving in reg. 3 *ibid.*.

▶¹◀

“the Industrial Injuries Employment Regulations” means the Social Security (Employed Earners’ Employments for Industrial Injuries Purposes) Regulations 1975(a);

▶²“jobseeker’s allowance” means an allowance under the Jobseekers Act 1995 as amended by the provisions of Part 1 of Schedule 14 to the Welfare Reform Act 2012 that remove references to an income-based allowance, and a contribution-based allowance under the Jobseekers Act 1995 as that Act has effect apart from those provisions;◀

▶¹“the other party” in the case of a person who has been married or been in a civil partnership more than once, refers to the person by virtue of whose contributions that person is entitled to the benefit in question;◀

“the Overlapping Benefits Regulations” means the National Insurance (Overlapping Benefits) Regulations 1975(b);

“the former Old Persons’ Pensions Regulations” means the National Insurance (Old Persons’ Pensions) Regulations 1970(c);

“retired” means retired from regular employment;

▶³“serving member of the forces” has the meaning given to it in regulation 1(2) of the Contributions Regulations;◀

▶⁴“shared additional pension” means a shared additional pension under section 55A of the Contributions and Benefits Act;◀

“the Special Provisions Regulations” means that Social Security (Benefit) (Married Women and Widows Special Provisions) Regulations 1974(d);

“the Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions Regulations” means the Social Security (Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1974(e);

“widow’s benefit” and “widow’s pension” include benefit under section 39(4) of the Act corresponding to a widow’s pension or a widowed mother’s allowance;

▶⁵“widowed parent’s allowance” means an allowance referred to in paragraph 39A of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(f);◀

▶⁶“child benefit”◀ means benefit under Part I of the Child Benefit Act;◀

▶⁶“entitled to child benefit” includes treated as so entitled;◀ and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.

(3) Any reference in these regulations to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except, in so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that provision as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument, and as including a reference to any provision which it re-enacts or replaces, or which may re-enact or replace it, with or without modification.

(4) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(g) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

▶⁷Modification of the Act in relation to ▶⁸incapacity benefit◀, severe disablement allowance, unemployability supplement and maternity allowance

2.—(1) ▶⁹Except as provided by paragraph (1A) or (1B) below, a◀ person shall not be disqualified for receiving ▶⁹any benefit in respect of incapacity◀◀ by reason of being temporarily absent from Great Britain for any day ▶⁹falling within the first twenty-six weeks beginning with the day following the day on which he left Great Britain◀ if—

(a) S.I. 1975/467.

(b) S.I. 1975/554 [S.I. 1975/554 was revoked by, and re-enacted with modifications in, S.I. 1979/597].

(c) S.I. 1970/1280.

(d) S.I. 1974/2010.

(e) S.I. 1974/2059 [S.I. 1974/2059 was revoked by, and re-enacted with modifications in, S.I. 1979/642; and reg. 2 of the former (referred to in reg. 6 herein) was re-enacted with modifications in reg. 2 of the latter].

(f) Section 39A was inserted by section 55(2) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

(g) 1889 c. 63. [The reference to the Interpretation Act 1889 is to be construed, under the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30), s. 25(2), as a reference to the latter Act].

- ▶¹(a) the Secretary of State has certified that it is consistent with the proper administration of the Act that, subject to the satisfaction of one of the conditions in sub-paragraph (b), ▶²(bb)◀ ▶³and (c)◀ below, the disqualification under section 83(5)(a) of the Act should not apply, and ▶⁴◀
- (b) the absence is for the specific purpose of being treated for incapacity which commenced before he left Great Britain, or
- ▶²(bb) in the case ▶⁵of ▶⁶incapacity benefit◀◀, the incapacity for work is the result of a personal injury of a kind mentioned in section 50(1) of the Act, and the absence is for the specific purpose of receiving treatment which is appropriate to that injury, or◀
- (c) on the day on which the absence began he was, and had for the past 6 months continuously been, incapable of work and on the day for which benefit is claimed he has remained continuously so incapable ▶⁴since the absence began◀▶⁷◀
- (d) ▶⁷◀.

▶⁷(1A) Subject to paragraph (1B), a person who is in receipt of attendance allowance ▶⁸, disability living allowance▶⁹, armed forces independence payment under the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2011◀ or personal independence payment under Part 4 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012◀ shall not by reason of being temporarily absent from Great Britain be disqualified for receiving any benefit in respect of incapacity if—

- (a) the absence is for the specific purpose of being treated for incapacity which commenced before he left Great Britain; or
- (b) in the case of ▶⁶incapacity benefit◀ the incapacity for work is the result of a personal injury of a kind mentioned in section 94(1) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and the absence is for the specific purpose of receiving treatment which is appropriate to that injury; or
- (c) on the day on which the absence began he was, and had for the past 6 months continuously been, incapable of work and on the day for which benefit is claimed he has remained continuously so incapable since the absence began.

(1B) A person who is a member of the family of a serving member of the forces and temporarily absent from great Britain by reason only of the fact that he is living with that member shall not by reason of being temporarily absent be disqualified—

- (a) for receiving any benefit in respect of incapacity except severe disablement allowance if—
 - (i) the absence is for the specific purpose of being treated for incapacity which began before he left Great Britain, or
 - (ii) in the case of ▶⁶incapacity benefit◀ the incapacity for work is the result of a personal injury of a kind mentioned in section 94(1) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and the absence is for the specific purpose of receiving treatment which is appropriate to that injury, or
 - (iii) on the day on which the absence began he was, and had for the past 6 months continuously been, incapable of work and on the day for which benefit is claimed he has remained continuously so incapable since the absence began; or
- (b) for the receipt of severe disablement allowance.◀

[Regulation 2(2) revoked by regulation 2(4) of S.I. 1977/1679 as from 14.11.77.]

[Regulation 2(3) and (4) deleted by reg. 7(e) of S.I. 1995/829 as from 13.4.95.]

Paras. (3) and (4) of reg. 2 are reproduced below as in force before their deletion (14.4.95) by reg. 7(e) of S.I. 1995/829 (save that ss. 143 and 15 of the S.S. Act 1975 (c. 14) have been re-enacted in s. 179 of the S.S. Admin Act 1992 and s. 33 of the S.S. Conts. and Bens. Act 1992 respectively).

(3) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving invalidity benefit by reason of being absent from Great Britain if by virtue of an Order in Council made under section 105 of the former Principal Act he would not be disqualified for receiving sickness benefit.

(4) A person who is or has been outside Great Britain and who by virtue of an Order in Council made under section 143 of the Act or under section 105 of the former Principal Act would, but for the

¹Reg 2(1)(a) substituted by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1977/1679 as from 14.11.77.

²Word in reg. 2(1)(a) & reg. 2(1)(bb) inserted by reg. 5(2) of S.I. 1983/186 as from 6.4.83.

³Words substituted in reg. 2(1)(a) by reg. 2(2)(d) of S.I. 1994/268 as from 8.3.94.

⁴Word deleted in reg. 2(1)(a) & substituted in reg. 2(1)(c) by reg. 2(3)(a)(ii) & (b) of S.I. 1990/40 as from 8.2.90.

⁵Words substituted in reg. 2(1)(bb) by reg. 2 of S.I. 1986/1545 as from 1.10.86.

⁶Words substituted in reg. 2(1)(bb), (1A)(b) & (1B)(a)(ii) by reg. 7(b)-(d) of S.I. 1995/829 as from 13.4.95.

⁷Word “or” and reg. 2(1)(d) deleted, and reg. 2(1A) and (1B) inserted by reg. 2 of S.I. 1994/268 as from 8.3.94.

⁸Words substituted in reg. 2(1A) by para. 8 of Sch. to S.I. 2013/388 as from 8.4.13.

⁹Words inserted in reg. 2(1A) by para. 1(2) of the Sch. to S.I. 2013/591 as from 8.4.13.

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provisions of section 15 of the Act, have been entitled to sickness benefit in respect of any period, shall be entitled to invalidity pension for that period.

¹Reg. 2(5) inserted by reg. 2(4) of S.I. 1994/268 as from 8.3.94.

²Words substituted in reg. 2(5)(a) by reg. 7(f) of S.I. 1995/829 as from 13.4.95.

³Words inserted in reg. 3(5)(b) & 4(2B) by para. 5(3)(a) of Sch. 3 to S.I. 2005/2877 as from 5.12.05.

⁴Words inserted in heading to reg. 4 & in reg. 4(1) by reg. 2(3) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

⁵Words substituted in reg. 4(1) by reg. 2 of S.I. 1992/1700 as from 5.8.92.

⁶Words inserted in reg. 4(1) by reg. 4(3) of S.I. 2005/1551 as from 6.7.05.

⁷Words in reg. 4(2)(b), (2A)(c) & (2B)(c) substituted by reg. 4(2) of S.I. 2010/788 as from 6.4.10.

⁸Words substituted in Reg. 4(2)(b) by reg. 2(a) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

⁹Reg. 4(2A) inserted by reg. 2 of S.I. 1988/435 as from 11.4.88.

¹⁰Reg. 4(2B) inserted by reg. 2(3) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

¹¹Words substituted in reg. 4(2B)(a) by reg. 2(3) of S.I. 2001/2618 as from 20.8.01.

►¹(5) In this regulation—

- (a) “benefit in respect of incapacity” means ►²incapacity benefit◄, severe disablement allowance, an unemployability supplement or a maternity allowance;
- (b) “member of the family of a serving member of the forces” means the spouse, ►³civil partner,◄ son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter, father, father-in law, step father, mother, mother-in-law or step-mother of such a member; and
- (c) “week” means any period of seven days.◄

[Regulation 3 revoked by regulation 3 of S.I. 1990/40 as from 8.2.90.]

Modification of the Act in relation to widow’s benefit, ►⁴bereavement benefit,◄ child’s special allowance, guardian’s allowance and retirement pension

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation and of regulation 5 below, a person shall not be disqualified for receiving widow’s benefit, ►⁴bereavement benefit,◄ child’s special allowance, a guardian’s allowance ►⁵, a retirement pension of any category ►⁶, a shared additional pension◄ or graduated retirement benefit◄ by reason of being absent from Great Britain.

(2) In the case of a widow’s allowance paragraph (1) above shall apply only where—

- (a) the woman or her late husband was in Great Britain at the time of his death; or
- (b) the contribution conditions for widowed mother’s allowance and widow’s pension set out in paragraph 5 of the Schedule 3 to ►⁷the Contributions and Benefits Act◄ or in regulation ►⁸6 of the Social Security (Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979(a)◄ are satisfied in relation to the woman.

►⁹(2A) In the case of a widow’s payment, paragraph (1) above shall apply only where—

- (a) the woman or her late husband was in great Britain at the time of his death; or
- (b) Sub-paragraph (a) above does not apply but the woman returned to Great Britain within 4 weeks of her husband’s death; or
- (c) the contribution conditions for widowed mother’s allowance and widow’s pension set out in paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to ►⁷the Contributions and Benefits Act◄ or in regulation 6 of the Social Security (Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979 are satisfied in relation to the woman.◄

►¹⁰(2B) In the case of a bereavement payment, paragraph (1) above shall apply only where—

- (a) ►¹¹the deceased spouse ►³or deceased civil partner◄ or the surviving spouse ►³or surviving civil partner◄ was in Great Britain at the time of the deceased spouse’s ►³or deceased civil partner’s◄ death;◄
- (b) sub-paragraph (a) above does not apply but the surviving spouse returned to Great Britain within 4 weeks of the deceased spouse’s ►³or deceased civil partner’s◄ death; or
- (c) the contribution conditions for widowed parent’s allowance and bereavement allowance set out in paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to ►⁷the Contributions and Benefits Act◄(b) or in regulation 6 of the Social Security (Widow’s Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979(c) are satisfied in relation to the surviving spouse ►³or surviving civil partner◄◄

(a) S.I. 1979/642.

(b) Paragraph 5 was amended by paragraph 38(3) of Schedule 1 to Social security (Incapacity for Work) Act 1994 (c. 18), sections 129 and 134(5) of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 and Part II of Schedule 7 to, the Pensions Act 1995 (c. 26), and paragraph 13(3) of Schedule 8 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

(c) S.I. 1979/642: Regulation 6 was amended by regulation 2(2) of S.I. 1990/2642 and regulation 7(3) of S.I. 2000/1483.

▶¹(3) In the case of a Category A retirement pension the ▶²basic pension◀ of which falls to be increased under the provisions of ▶³section 52A(2) or 52(2) of the Contributions and Benefits Act (special provision for married people and for surviving spouses)◀ the amount of the increase shall not exceed the sum which would be required to raise the ▶²basic pension◀ of that Category A retirement pension to the sum specified in ▶³section 44(4) of the Contributions and Benefits Act◀ (rate of ▶²basic pension◀ of Category A retirement pension) or the weekly rate of Category B retirement pension specified in ▶³paragraph 5 of Part I of Schedule 4 to the Contributions and Benefits Act◀, as the case may be, current at—

- ▶⁴(a) the date on which the person whose pension falls to be so increased first became entitled to that pension; or◀
- (b) the date on which that person was last ordinarily resident in Great Britain;

whichever is the later.

(4) Where, in the case of Category A retirement pension the ▶²additional pension◀ of which falls to be increased under the provisions of ▶³section 52(3) of the Contributions and Benefits Act◀, the surviving spouse ▶⁵or surviving civil partner◀ whose pension falls to be so increased, being over pensionable age at the date of the death of the former spouse ▶⁵or former civil partner◀, is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain, the amount of the increase shall not exceed the sum which would be required to raise the ▶²additional pension◀ of that Category A retirement pension to the maximum prescribed by ▶³regulation 3 of the Social Security (Maximum Additional Pension) Regulations 2010(a)◀ which would have been appropriate had the former spouse died on—

- (a) the date on which the surviving spouse was last ordinarily resident in Great Britain; or
- (b) 6th April 1979;

whichever is the later.◀

Application of disqualification in respect of up-rating of benefit

Regulation 5 shall apply to any additional benefit payable by virtue of the Up-rating Order as from 7.4.14 by virtue of regulation 3 of S.I. 2014/618.

5.—(1) Where regulations made in consequence of an order under ▶³section 150 (annual up-rating of benefits) or 150A (annual up-rating of basic pension etc and standard minimum guarantee) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992(b)◀ provide for the application of this regulation to any additional benefit becoming payable by virtue of that order, the following provisions of this regulation shall, subject to regulation 12 below and the provisions of those regulations, have effect in relation to the entitlement to that benefit of persons absent from Great Britain.

(2) In this regulation ▶⁶and in regulation 5A◀—

- (a) references to additional benefit of any description are to be construed as referring to additional benefit of that description which is, or but for this regulation would be, payable by virtue (either directly or indirectly) of the said order; and
- (b) “the appointed date” means the date appointed for the coming into force of the said order.

(3) ▶⁷Subject to paragraph (8) and the Schedule below, ◀ where a person is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain immediately before the appointed date the provisions of these regulations (except this regulation) shall not, unless and until he becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain, affect his disqualification while he is absent from Great Britain for receiving—

- (a) in the case of a ▶³person◀ who immediately before the appointed date was a ▶³married person or a civil partner◀ and ▶⁸was not entitled to a Category B retirement pension◀, any additional Category B retirement pension, if immediately before that date ▶³the other party to the marriage or civil partnership◀ was entitled to a Category A retirement pension◀ and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain;

¹Reg. 4(3) and (4) inserted by reg. 2(b) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

²Words substituted in reg. 4(3) and (4) by s. 18(1) of the Social Security Act 1986 (c. 50), as from 6.4.87.

³Words in regs. 4(3), (4), 5(1) & 5(3)(a) substituted by regs. 4(3)-(4) & 5(2)-(3) of S.I. 2010/788 as from 6.4.10.

⁴Reg. 4(3)(a) substituted by reg. 8(2) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

⁵In reg. 4(4) words inserted by para. 5(3)(b) of Sch. 3 to S.I. 2005/2877 as from 5.12.05.

⁶Words inserted in reg. 5(2) by reg. 2(3) of S.I. 1990/621 as from 6.4.90.

⁷Words inserted in reg. 5(3) by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1994/1832 as from 6.8.94.

⁸Words substituted in reg. 5(3)(a) by reg. 8(3)(a)(i) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

(a) S.I. 2010/426.

(b) 1992 c. 5.

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¹Para. (3)(aa) inserted into reg. 5 by reg. 2(3) of S.I. 1994/1832 as from 6.8.94.

²Words in para. (3)(aa) substituted & para. (3)(ba) inserted by S.I. 2010/788 as from 6.4.10.

³Para. (3)(b) substituted by reg. 3(3) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

⁴Words substituted & inserted in reg. 5(4)(b) & (d) & (6)(b) by para. 5(4)(a) & (b) of Sch. 3 to S.I. 2005/2877 as from 5.12.05.

⁵Words inserted in reg. 5(3)(c) by reg. 4(4) of S.I. 2005/1551 as from 6.7.04.

⁶Words inserted into reg. 5(3)(c) by reg. 3 of S.I. 1992/1700 as from 5.8.92.

⁷Words deleted from reg. 5(3)(c) by reg. (3)(a)(ii) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

⁸Words substituted in reg. 3(d) by reg. 2(4) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

⁹Words substituted in reg. 5(3)(d) by reg. (3)(a)(iii) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

¹⁰Reg. 5(3)(f) added and reg. 5(4) omitted by reg. 13(3) of S.I. 1977/342 as from 4.4.77.

¹¹Words in reg. 5(5)(b) substituted by reg. 3(4) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

¹²Words substituted in reg. 5(5)(i) by reg. 8(3)(b) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

¹³Para. (6) substituted by reg. 3(5) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

¹⁴Words inserted in reg. 5(6) by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1994/1832 as from 6.8.94.

¹⁵Words substituted in reg. 5(6)(i) by reg. 8(3)(c) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

▶¹(aa) in the case of a ▶²married person or a civil partner◀, any additional Category B retirement pension if immediately before the appointed date ▶²the other party to the marriage or civil partnership◀ was entitled to a Category A retirement pension and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain (whether or not ▶²they were married to each other or were civil partners of each other◀ immediately before that date);◀

▶³(b) in the case of a person who immediately before the appointed date is ▶⁴a widow, a widower or a surviving civil partner◀, any additional Category B retirement pension, if the former spouse ▶⁴or deceased civil partner◀ had died before the appointed date;◀

▶²(ba) in the case of a married person or civil partner entitled to a Category B retirement pension under section 48A of the Contributions and Benefits Act (Category B retirement person for a married person or a civil partner), other than a case that falls within sub-paragraphs (a) to (b), any additional Category B retirement pension where immediately before the appointed date that person's spouse or civil partner was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain;◀

(c) in any other case, any additional retirement pension of any category ▶⁵, any additional shared additional pension◀▶⁶or any additional graduated retirement benefit◀, if that person had ▶⁷◀ become entitled to a retirement pension▶⁵, a shared additional pension◀▶⁶or to graduated retirement benefit◀ before the appointed date;

(d) any additional widow's benefit ▶⁸or bereavement benefit, if the deceased spouse◀▶⁴or surviving civil partner◀▶⁹had become entitled to a Category A retirement pension or had◀ died before the appointed date;

(e) any additional child's special allowance if her former husband had died before the appointed date;

▶¹⁰(f) any additional guardian's allowance in respect of a child if he were entitled to that allowance in respect of that child before the appointed date.◀

(4) ▶¹⁰◀

(5) The provisions of these regulations shall not affect the disqualification while absent from Great Britain of a widow who—

(a) is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain immediately before the appointed date, and was entitled to widow's benefit immediately before attaining pensionable age, or would, but for any provision of the Act disqualifying her for the receipt of such benefit, have been so entitled; and

(b) is or becomes entitled to a Category A retirement pension the right to which is determined by taking into account under ▶¹¹regulation 8 of the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979◀ her husband's contributions;

for receiving any additional Category A retirement pension the right to which is so determined unless and until she becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain if—

(i) before the appointed date her husband ▶¹²was entitled to a Category A retirement pension◀ and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain; or

(ii) he died before the appointed date.

▶¹³(6) ▶¹⁴Subject to paragraph (8) and the Schedule below,◀ the provisions of these regulations shall not affect the disqualification while absent from Great Britain of a person referred to in regulation 8 of the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979, being any such person other than a widow, who—

(a) is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain immediately before the appointed date; and

(b) is or becomes entitled to a Category A retirement pension the right to which is determined by taking into account under regulation 8 of the Social Security (Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions) Regulations 1979 the contributions of that person's former spouse ▶⁴or former civil partner◀;

for receiving any additional Category A retirement pension the right to which is so determined unless and until that person becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain if—

(i) before the appointed date the former spouse ▶¹⁵was entitled to a Category A retirement pension◀ and was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain;

or

(ii) the former spouse died before the appointed date.◀

▶(7) Paragraph (3)(c) of this regulation shall not apply to a person in relation to a Category B retirement pension if that person's spouse ▶or civil partner◀ ▶was not entitled to a Category A retirement pension◀ before the appointed date and either that person and that person's spouse—

- (i) were husband and wife ▶or were civil partners◀ immediately before that date; or
- (ii) became husband and wife▶or former civil partnership◀ on or after that date.◀

▶(8) The Schedule below shall have effect in relation to the disqualification of persons for receiving additional benefit in the circumstances specified in that Schedule (being certain cases in which a person was awarded a widow's benefit or a retirement pension or a higher rate of retirement pension between 1st September 1985 and 7th August 1991).◀

▶Rate of guaranteed minimum pension for the purposes of section 29 of the Pensions Act

5A. Where a person is absent from Great Britain and disqualified for receiving additional Category A or category B retirement pension, additional widowed mother's allowance ▶, bereavement allowance, widowed parent's allowance◀ or additional widow's pension then—

- (a) the rate of guaranteed minimum pension shall for the purposes only of section 29(1) of the Pensions Act(a) be determined in his case as if any Order under section 37A of the Pensions Act(b) which came into force while he was disqualified had instead come into force on the first day on which he ceased to be qualified, and
- (b) so long as the person is disqualified, section 37A(7) shall apply to him as if the reference to section 29(1) were omitted.◀

Modification of right to elect to be treated as not having retired

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of regulation 2 of the Widow's Benefit and Retirement Pensions Regulations ▶◀ a person who is not ordinarily resident in Great Britain shall not be entitled to elect that that regulation shall apply in his case.

[Regulation 7 revoked by regulation 3 of S.I. 1990/40 as from 8.2.90.]

Modification of the Act in relation to age addition

8.—(1) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving age addition by reason of being absent from Great Britain if—

- (a) he is ordinarily resident in Great Britain; or
- (b) he was ordinarily resident in Great Britain and was entitled to age addition before he ceased to be ordinarily so resident; or
- (c) in the case of a person who ceased to be ordinarily resident in Great Britain before 20th September 1971, he is entitled to a retirement pension of any category and, by virtue of an Order in Council made under section 143 of the Act or under section 105 of the former Principal Act, he is not disqualified for receiving that pension at a higher rate that was applicable in his case when he was last ordinarily resident in Great Britain; or
- (d) in the case of a person who ceased to be ordinarily resident in Great Britain on or after 20th September 1971, he is entitled to a retirement

Para. (7) substituted by reg. 3(6) of S.I. 1979/1432 as from 10.11.79.

(a) Words inserted in reg. 5(7) by para. 5(4)(c) of Sch. 3 to S.I. 2005/2877 as from 5.12.05.

Words substituted in reg. 5(7) by reg. 8(3)(d) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89. See note (a) above. Para (8) added to reg. 5 by reg. 2(4) of S.I. 1994/1832 as from 6.8.94.

Reg. 5A inserted by reg. 2(4) of S.I. 1990/621 as from 6.4.90.

Words inserted in reg. 5A by reg. 2(5) of S.I. 2000/2876 as from 9.4.01.

Words deleted from reg. 6 by reg. 8(4) of S.I. 1989/1642 as from 1.10.89.

(a) Section 29(1) was amended by the Social Security Act 1986, Section 18(1) and Schedule 10, paragraph 14(a)

(b) Section 37A was inserted by Section 9(7) of the Social Security Act 1986.

pension of any category, and had he ceased to be ordinarily resident in Great Britain before that date, by virtue of an Order in Council made under section 143 of the Act or under section 105 of the former Principal Act, he would not have been disqualified for receiving that pension at a higher rate after that date than before it.

(2) Where a person is entitled to a retirement pension of any category at a rate which is calculated by reference to any period completed by that person in some territory outside Great Britain, any age addition to which he may be entitled shall be calculated as if it were an increase in that pension.

Words deleted from reg. 9 heading by reg. 5(3) of S.I. 1983/186 as from 6.4.83.

Modification of the Act in relation to title to ►◄ disablement benefit and industrial death benefit

9.—[Paragraph (1) revoked by regulation 5(4) of S.I. 1983/186 as from 6.4.83.]

[Regulation 9(2) revoked by regulation 2(4) of S.I. 1977/1679 as from 14.11.77.]

Words substituted in reg. 9(3) by reg. 4(a) of S.I. 1986/1561 as from 1.10.86.

(3) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving ►disablement benefit (other than any increase thereof under sections 58, 59, 61, 62, 63 or 66 of the Act)◄ by reason of being absent from Great Britain.

(4) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving an increase of disablement pension in respect of the need for constant attendance under section 61, or under regulations made under section 159(3), or in respect of exceptionally severe disablement under section 63, of the Act, by reason of being temporarily absent from Great Britain during the period of 6 months from the date on which such absence commences or during such longer period as the Secretary of State may, having regard to the purpose of the absence and any other factors which appear to him to be relevant, allow.

Words substituted in reg. 9(5) by reg. 4(b) of S.I. 1986/1561 as from 1.10.86.

(5) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving ►reduced earnings allowance under section 59A of the Act,◄ by reason of being temporarily absent from Great Britain during the period of 3 months from the date on which such absence commences or during such longer period as the Secretary of State may, having regard to the purpose of the absence and any other factors which appear to him to be relevant, allow, so however that—

- (a) such absence or any part thereof is not for the purpose of or in connection with any employment, trade or business;
- (b) a claim as a result of which a decision is given awarding►such allowance◄ in respect of such period of absence or part thereof was made before the commencement of such absence; and
- (c) the period taken into account by the award of ►such allowance◄ to that person either includes the day of commencement of such absence or follows a period so taken into account which includes that day without there being a break in entitlement by that person to such increase from that day.

(6) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving industrial death benefit by reason of being absent from Great Britain.

Reg. 9(7) added by reg. 10 of S.I. 1992/2595 as from 16.11.92.

►(7) A person shall not be disqualified for receiving retirement allowance under paragraph 13 of Schedule 7 to the Contributions and Benefits Act by reason of being absent from Great Britain.◄

Modification of the Act in relation to attendance allowance

Words inserted into reg. 10 by reg. 2(2) of S.I. 1991/2742 as from 6.4.92.

10. A person shall not be disqualified for receiving attendance allowance ►or disability living allowance◄ by reason of being absent from Great Britain.

[Regulation 10A deleted by regulation 2(3) of S.I. 1991/2742 as from 6.4.92.]

►¹Modification of the Act in relation to ►²carer's allowance◄

10B. A person shall not be disqualified for receiving ►²a carer's allowance◄ by reason of being absent from Great Britain.◄

¹Reg.10B added by reg. 20 of S.I. 1976/409 as from 12.4.76.

²Words substituted in title to & reg. 10B by Sch. 2 of S.I. 2002/2497 as from 1.4.03.

³Reg. 10C inserted by reg. 2 of S.I. 1979/463 as from 17.4.79

►³Modification of Parts II and III of the Act in relation to accidents happening or prescribed diseases contracted outside Great Britain

10C.—(1) In this regulation—

“prescribed area” means an area over which Norway or any member State (other than the United Kingdom) exercises sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring the seabed and subsoil and exploiting their natural resources, being an area outside the territorial seas of Norway or such member State;

“prescribed disease” means a disease or injury prescribed for the purposes of Chapter V of Part II of the Act; and

“prescribed employment” means employment in a prescribed area in connection with the exploration of the seabed and subsoil and the exploitation of the natural resources of that area, or prescribed employment as defined in regulation 11 of these regulations (modification of the Act in relation to the United Kingdom continental shelf).

(2) Where on or after 30th November 1964 a person sustains or has sustained an accident or contracts or has contracted a prescribed disease while outside Great Britain, for the purposes of Chapter IV or V of Part II of the Act (benefit for industrial injuries and diseases) section 50(5) of the Act or regulation 14 of the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations 1975(a) shall not operate to make benefit not payable in respect of that accident or prescribed disease if that person—

- (a) in connection with prescribed employment has sustained the accident or contracted the prescribed disease in a prescribed area, or while travelling between one prescribed area and another, or while travelling between a designated area (as defined in regulation 11 of these regulations) and a prescribed area, or while travelling between Norway or a member State (including the United Kingdom) and a prescribed area; or
- (b) has sustained the accident or contracted the prescribed disease while in the territory of a member State (other than the United Kingdom).

►⁴(2A) Where a person sustains an accident or contracts a prescribed disease while outside Great Britain in circumstances to which paragraph (2)(a) applies and the employment of that person would, but for the employment being outside Great Britain, have been employed earner's employment, that employment shall for the purposes of Chapter IV or V of Part II of the Act (benefit for industrial injuries and diseases) be treated as employed earner's employment if—

⁴Para. 2A inserted by reg. 2 of S.I. 1982/388 as from 14.4.82.

- (a) that person is ordinarily resident in Great Britain and immediately before the commencement of the employment was resident therein, and
- (b) the employer of that person has a place of business in Great Britain.◄

(3) Where, before the date on which this regulation comes into operation, a decision has been given disallowing a claim for industrial injuries benefit in respect of an accident sustained or a prescribed disease contracted on or after 30th November 1964, then notwithstanding the provisions of section 107(6)(b) of the Act (decision that an accident not an industrial accident not reviewable) that decision may be reviewed by an insurance officer under section 104(1)(b) of the Act (review on ground of relevant change of circumstances) if he is satisfied that had paragraphs (1) and (2) of this regulation been in force when that decision was given those paragraphs would have applied, but a decision on review under this paragraph shall not make industrial injuries benefit payable for any period before the date on which this regulation comes into operation.

(4) Paragraph (3) of this regulation shall apply to a decision refusing a declaration that an accident was an industrial accident as it applies to a decision disallowing a claim for industrial injuries benefit.

(a) S.I. 1975/1537, to which there are amendments not directly relevant to these Regulations.

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¹Paras. (5) & (6) added by reg. 3 of S.I. 1986/1545 as from 1.10.86.

►¹(5) Where on or after 1st October 1986 a person to whom this paragraph applies sustains an accident arising out of, and in the course of, his employment, or contracts a prescribed disease due to the nature of his employment, such employment shall for the purposes of Chapters IV and V of Part II of the Act (benefit for industrial injuries and diseases) be treated as employed earner's employment notwithstanding that he is employed outside Great Britain, and any benefit which would be payable under those chapters but for the provisions of section 50(5) of the Act and regulation 14 of the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations 1985(a) shall be payable from the date of his return to Great Britain notwithstanding that the accident happened or the disease was contracted while he was outside it.

(6) Paragraph (5) applies to any person in respect of whom Class 1 contributions are payable by virtue of regulation 120 of the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 1979(b) or who is paying Class 2 (volunteer development workers) contributions under Case G of those regulations(c).◀◀

Modification of the Act in relation to employment on the Continental Shelf

11.—(1) In this regulation—

“the Continental Shelf Act” means the Continental Shelf Act 1964(d);

“designated area” means any area which may from time to time be designated by Order in Council under the Continental Shelf Act as an area within which the rights of the United Kingdom with respect to the seabed and subsoil and their natural resources may be exercised;

“prescribed disease” means a disease or injury prescribed for the purposes of Chapter V of Part II of the Act;

►²“prescribed employment” means any employment (whether under a contract of service or not) in any designated area or prescribed area, being employment in connection with any activity mentioned in section 23(2) of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982(e) in any designated area or in any prescribed area◀; and

►³“prescribed area” means any area over which Norway or any member State (other than the United Kingdom) exercises sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring the seabed and subsoil and exploiting their natural resources, being an area outside the territorial seas of Norway or such member State, or any other area which is from time to time specified under section 22(5) of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982.◀

►⁴(1A) Where a claimant would be entitled to a ►⁵◀ jobseeker's allowance but for section 1(2)(i) of the Jobseekers Act 1995(f) (conditions of entitlement to a jobseeker's allowance; requirement to be in Great Britain), he shall be entitled to a ►⁵◀ jobseeker's allowance notwithstanding his absence from Great Britain if—

- (a) the absence from Great Britain is due to his being or having been in prescribed employment in a designated area; or
- (b) subject to paragraph (2B), he is, in connection with prescribed employment—
 - (i) in a prescribed area; or
 - (ii) travelling between one prescribed area and another; or
 - (iii) travelling between a designated area and a prescribed area; or
 - (iv) travelling between Norway or a member State (including the United Kingdom) and a prescribed area.◀

(2) Where benefit under Part II of the Act would, but for the provisions of section 82(5)(a) of the Act (absence from Great Britain), be payable to a person

(a) S.I. 1985/967.

(b) S.I. 1979/591.

(c) See S.I. 1986/485.

(d) 1964 c.29.

(e) 1982 c.23.

(f) 1995 c.18.

²Definition substituted by reg. 2(a)(i) of S.I. 1982/1738 as from 31.12.82.

³Definition added by reg. 2(a)(ii) of S.I. 1982/1738 as from 31.12.82.

⁴Reg. 11(1A) inserted by reg. 165(2) of S.I. 1996.207 as from 7.10.96.

⁵Words “contribution-based” omitted from reg. 11(1A) by reg. 23(3) as from 29.4.13. See Explanatory Notes for transitional provision.

in a designated area, that benefit shall be payable notwithstanding the absence of that person from Great Britain, if the absence is due to his being or having been in prescribed employment ► in a designated area ◀.

►(2A) Subject to paragraph (2B) where benefit under Part II of the Act would be payable to a person were that person in Great Britain, that person shall not be disqualified for receiving such benefit by reason only of the fact that he is, in connection with prescribed employment:-

- (a) in a prescribed area; or
- (b) travelling between one prescribed area and another; or
- (c) travelling between a designated area and a prescribed area; or
- (d) travelling between Norway or a member State (including the United Kingdom) and a prescribed area.

(2B) Paragraphs ►(1A) and (2A)◀ shall not apply where, under the legislation administered by Norway or any member State (other than the United Kingdom) benefit is payable in respect of a person for the same contingency and for the same period for which benefit is claimed under the Act.◀

(3) Where benefit under Chapter IV or V of Part II of the Act would, but for the provisions of section 50(5) of the Act, be payable to person in respect of an accident arising out of and in the course of, or a prescribed disease due to the nature of, any employment by virtue of which any person is treated as an employed earner under paragraph 7 of Part I of Schedule 1 to the Industrial Injuries Employments Regulations, that benefit shall be payable notwithstanding that the accident happens or the disease is contracted while such person is outside Great Britain, if at the time that the accident happens or the disease is contracted the person is either in a designated area or travelling from one designated area to another or from or to Great Britain to or from a designated area.

(4) The provision of the Act and of the regulations and orders made thereunder► , and the Jobseekers Act 1995 and regulations made thereunder◀ shall, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this regulation, apply in relation to persons in prescribed employment with this modification, that where such a person is, on account of his being outside Great Britain by reason of his employment, being prescribed employment, unable to perform any act required to be done either forthwith or on the happening of a certain event or within a specified time, he shall be deemed to have complied with that requirement if he performs the act as soon as is reasonably practicable, although after the happening of the event or the expiration of the specified time.

Modification of the Act in relation to the Channel Islands

12.—(1) Notwithstanding any provision of the Act or of these regulations a person shall not—

- (a) be disqualified for receiving any benefit under the Act by reason of absence from Great Britain ; ►◀
- (b) be disentitled to a maternity grant in respect of a confinement outside Great Britain; or
- (c) be disqualified for receiving a death grant in respect of a death occurring outside Great Britain,

if that person is, or, as the case may be, that confinement or that death occurred, in any part of the Channel Islands which is not subject to an order made under section 143 of the Act or section 105 of the former Principal Act.

(2) A person who—

- (a) (i) is in any part of the Channel Islands which is not the subject of an order made under section 143 of the Act or section 84 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965(a), or

(a) 1965 c. 52.

Words added by reg. 2(b) of S.I. 1928/1738 as from 31.12.8. Paras. (2A) & (2B) inserted by reg. 2(c) of S.I. 1928/1738 as from 31.12.82.

Words in reg.11(2B) substituted for “paragraph (2A)” by reg. 165(3) of S.I. 1996/207 as from 7.10.96.

Words inserted in reg.11(4) by reg.165(4) of S.I. 1996/207 as from 7.10.96.

Words in reg. 12(1)(a) deleted by reg. 15(2) of S.I. 1996/1345 as from 7.10.96.

- (ii) is going from (or to) Great Britain to (or from) such a part of the Channel Islands; and who
- (b) suffers an industrial accident in the course of his employment (being employed earner's employment by virtue of regulation 94 of the Contributions Regulations),

shall subject to the provisions of section 51 of the Act, be treated as if the employment were employed earner's employment for the purposes of industrial injuries and as if the accident occurred in Great Britain.

Modification of the Act in relation to a dependant

Words inserted in reg. 13 by para. 5(5) of Sch. 3 to S.I. 2005/2877 as from 5.12.05.

13. A husband or wife ►or civil partner◄ shall not be disqualified for receiving any increase (where payable) of benefit in respect of his or her spouse ►or civil partner◄ by reason of the spouse's ►or civil partner's◄ being absent from Great Britain, provided that the spouse is residing with, ►the husband, wife or civil partner◄ as the case may be.

►Modification of the Act in relation to title to benefit for beneficiary's child dependants

13A.—(1) By reason only of the fact that he is not entitled to child benefit in respect of a child, a person shall not be disentitled from receiving a benefit or an allowance or an increase of a benefit or an allowance under the Act in respect of a child (hereafter in this regulation referred to as "child dependency benefit") in respect of that child for any period during which he and the child are, or the child is, absent from Great Britain in a country in circumstances in which he would, in pursuance of any agreement with the government of a country outside the United Kingdom, be entitled to receive child dependency benefit in respect of the child were he entitled to child benefit in respect of the child if—

- (a) he would, or could, had he made an appropriate claim, have been entitled to child benefit in respect of the child had all the requirements of section 13(2) and (3) of the Child Benefit Act (requirements as to presence in Great Britain) been satisfied; and
- (b) in a case where he would not be treated for the purposes of the Child Benefit Act as having the child living with him, he is contributing to the cost of providing for the child, in addition to any contribution he may be required to make under the Act, at a weekly rate not less than that of the child benefit which would be payable to him in respect of the child were child benefit so payable to him; and
- (c) no other person is entitled to child benefit in respect of the child.

(2) For any period during which a person who is absent from Great Britain would satisfy the requirements of paragraph (1) in relation to a child but for the fact that that child is present in Great Britain, that child shall, for the purposes of that paragraph, be treated as being present in the country in which that person is.

(3) By reason only of the fact that he is not entitled to child benefit in respect of a child, a person shall not be disentitled from receiving child dependency benefit in respect of that child for any period during which he or the child is, or both of them are, absent from Great Britain in circumstances in which, otherwise than in pursuance of such an agreement as is referred to in paragraph (1) or of regulations made under section 142 of the Act (co-ordination with Northern Ireland) were he entitled to child benefit in respect of the child he would be entitled to receive child dependency benefit in respect of the child if—

- (a) he would, or could had he made an appropriate claim, have been entitled to child benefit in respect of the child had all the requirements of section 13(2) and (3) of the Child Benefit Act (requirements as to presence in Great Britain) been satisfied; and

- (b) in a case where he would not be treated for the purposes of the Child Benefit Act as having the child living with him, he is contributing to the cost of providing for the child, in addition to any contribution he may be required to make under the Act, at a weekly rate not less than that of the child benefit which would be payable to him in respect of the child were child benefit so payable to him; and
- (c) he establishes that any absence from Great Britain of himself or the child was, when it began, intended to be temporary and has throughout continued to be temporary; and
- (d) no other person is entitled to child benefit in respect of the child.

(4) For the purpose of paragraph (1), such a person or child as is there referred to may be treated as being absent from Great Britain notwithstanding that he has not previously been present in Great Britain; and for the purposes of paragraph (3), a child born during the absence from Great Britain of his mother shall, if she was pregnant of that child at a time when she was present in Great Britain, be treated as having been present in Great Britain on the date on which his mother was last present in Great Britain before the child was born.

(5) Where a person—

- (a) immediately before returning to Great Britain was entitled to receive child dependency benefit in respect of a child; and
- (b) would on his return to Great Britain have continued to be entitled to receive child dependency benefit in respect of that child were he entitled to child benefit in respect of that child,

he shall not be disentitled from receiving child dependency benefit in respect of the child by reason only of the fact that he is not entitled to child benefit in respect of the child if—

- (i) he would, or could had he made an appropriate claim, have been entitled to child benefit in respect of the child had all the requirements of section 13(2) and (3) of the Child Benefit Act (requirements as to presence in Great Britain) been satisfied; and
- (ii) in a case where he would not be treated for the purposes of the Child Benefit Act as having the child living with him, he is contributing to the cost of providing for the child, in addition to any contribution he may be required to make under the Act, at a weekly rate not less than that of the child benefit which would be payable to him in respect of the child were child benefit so payable to him; and
- (iii) no other person is entitled to child benefit in respect of the child.

(6) Where a person who was absent from Great Britain immediately before 4th April 1977 (the date on which child benefit first becomes payable) or a subsequent date on which the rate or any of the rates of child benefit is or are increased—

- (a) is entitled to receive child dependency benefit in respect of a child for a continuous period beginning before and continuing after that date; and
- (b) no other person is entitled to child benefit in respect of that child for that period,

any provision made pursuant to section 17(1) or (4) of the Child Benefit Act whereby, having regard to the introduction of child benefit or to an increase in the rate or any of the rates of child benefit, the weekly rate of child dependency benefit payable in respect of that child would be subject to a reduction shall not have effect so as (by reason only of that reduction) to reduce the total weekly rate of benefit (including benefit (if any) which is not child dependency benefit payable in respect of that child) payable to that person below the total weekly rate of such benefit payable to him immediately before that date.◀

[Regulation 13B (modification of the Act in relation to the contribution conditions for unemployment benefit) deleted by Sch. to S.I. 1996/1345 as from 7.10.96.]

Administrative arrangements about payments of benefits

14. Where the right to benefit arises by virtue of these regulations the benefit shall be payable subject to the furnishing of such information and evidence as the Secretary of State may from time to time require; and the Secretary of State shall make arrangements as to the time and manner of payment which shall have effect in place of the provisions as to time and manner of payment which would have been applicable by virtue of other regulations made under the Act ►, or in connection with jobseeker's allowance, ◀ if the person concerned had not been absent from Great Britain.

Words inserted in reg.
14 by reg. 15(3) of S.I.
1996/1345 as from
7.10.96.

Transitional provisos

15.—(1) If, on 5th April 1975, a person, by virtue of any regulation having comparable effect to any provision of these regulations, and which ceases to be in force on 6th April 1975, is not disentitled to or not disqualified for receiving any benefit by reason of being absent from Great Britain, or by reason of some event occurring outside Great Britain, that person shall continue to be not disentitled or not disqualified, as the case may be, if—

- (a) he satisfies the relevant provision of these regulations; or
- (b) he would, had the relevant regulation in force on 5th April 1975 continued in force after that date, have satisfied the provisions of that regulation.

(2) In any case to which these regulations apply, the contribution conditions for the receipt of benefit shall be modified as follows—

- (a) for maternity grant in respect of a confinement occurring before 6th April 1976 the condition shall be that no less than 45 contributions under the former Principal Act have been paid by or credited to the contributor concerned in the period of 12 months immediately preceding 6th April 1975;
- (b) for death grant in respect of a death occurring before 6th April 1977 the condition shall be either that specified in regulation 7(1)(I) of these regulations or that specified in regulation 6(1)(e) of the former Death Grant Regulations so however that for the figure of 45 specified in the last mentioned regulation there shall be substituted the figure of 25.

(3) Subject to the provisions of regulation 5, where a person was not ordinarily resident in Great Britain on 5th April 1975 and the rate of benefit under the former Principal Act which was applicable in his case or would have been applicable had he been absent from Great Britain was, or if he had been entitled to such benefit would have been, reduced by virtue of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 49 of that Act or of regulations under that subsection, the rate of benefit to which he is or may be entitled under the Act shall, unless and until he becomes ordinarily resident in Great Britain and except during any period when he is in Great Britain, be reduced by the same amount.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

3rd April 1975

Minister of State, Department of Health and Social Security

Brian O'Malley

Sch added by reg. 3 of
S.I. 1994/1832 as from
6.8.94.

►SCHEDULE

Regulation 5(8)

UP-RATING IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN AWARDS MADE BETWEEN
1ST SEPTEMBER 1985 AND 7TH AUGUST 1991

1. A person referred to in a case set out in column (1) shall not be disqualified by reason of being absent from Great Britain for receiving any additional widow's benefit or retirement pension which became payable by virtue of an up-rating order which came into force on or before the date referred to in column (3) if—

- (a) the award referred to in column (1) was made during the period specified in column (2); and
- (b) immediately before 6th August 1994 that person was being paid a widow's benefit or a retirement pension (as the case may be) at the rate current at the date referred to in column (3).

<i>(1)</i> <i>Case</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Period in which award was made</i>	<i>(3)</i> <i>Date after which disqualification to take effect</i>
1. A woman who was awarded a widow's benefit	after 30th May 1988 but not later than 19th February 1990	the date on which she became entitled to a widow's benefit
2. A woman who had been receiving a Category B retirement pension and was awarded that pension at a higher rate after her husband's death	after 13th September 1988 but not later than 6th August 1991	the date of her husband's death
3. A woman who was first awarded a Category B retirement pension on the death of her husband after she attained the age of 60	after 31st January 1990 but not later than 6th August 1991	the date on which she became entitled to a Category B retirement pension
4. A man who had been receiving a Category A retirement pension and was awarded a Category B retirement pension after his wife's death	after 16th November 1986 but not later than 6th August 1991	the date on which he became entitled to a Category B retirement pension
5. A woman who had been receiving a Category B retirement pension and was awarded a Category A retirement pension	after 1st September 1985 but not later than 6th August 1991	the date on which she became entitled to a Category A retirement pension
6. A person who was awarded a Category A retirement pension determined by taking into account the contributions of his or her former spouse under regulation 8 of the Social Security	after 16th November 1986 but not later than 6th August 1991	the date on which that person first became entitled to a Category A retirement pension

(a) S.I. 1979/642.

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2. In paragraph 1 "up-rating order" means an order which was made under section 124 of the Act or section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986(a)◀

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations set out the circumstances in which the disqualification for the receipt of benefit during periods of absence from Great Britain may be removed. They also contain provisions relating to entitlement to benefit for a death or confinement abroad and other matters of a minor nature relative to the payment of benefit abroad.

(a) Section 124 was repealed by Schedule 11 to, and replaced by section 63 of, the Social Security Act 1986 (c.50); section 63 was repealed by Schedule 1 to the Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c.6) and re-enacted as sections 150(1) to (10) and 151(3) to (6) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992.