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SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Child Benefit and Social Security (Fixing and
Adjustment of Rates) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1977**
Laid before Parliament in draft

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>29th July 1977</i>
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<i>Coming into Operation</i>	<i>3rd April 1978</i>
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Whereas a draft of the following regulations was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, in conjunction with the Treasury(a), in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 5 and 17(1) of the Child Benefit Act 1975(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the Child Benefit and Social Security (Fixing and Adjustment of Rates) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1977, shall be read as one with the Child Benefit and Social Security (Fixing and Adjustment of Rates) Regulations 1976(c) (hereinafter referred to as “the principal regulations”) and shall come into operation on 3rd April 1978.

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations (weekly rates of child benefit) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) For paragraph (1) of the said regulation 2 there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation and regulation 20(1) of the General Regulations (transitional provision relating to apprentices in respect of whom a family allowance was payable under the Family Allowances Acts 1965 to 1975) the weekly rate of child benefit payable in respect of a child shall be £2.30.”.

(3) In paragraph (2) of the said regulation 2, for the reference to £0.50 there shall be substituted a reference to £1.00.

(4) Paragraph (3) of the said regulation 2 is hereby revoked.

(a) See s. 22(1)(a) of the Child Benefit Act 1975 (c. 61).
(c) S.I. 1976/1267 (1976 II, p. 3576).

(b) 1975 c. 61.

(5) In sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (4) of the said regulation 2, the words “or (2)” shall be omitted.

Insertion of a regulation 3 into the principal regulations

3. After regulation 2 of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation:—

“Reduction of weekly rates of benefits and increases of benefits under the Social Security Act in respect of children

3. The sums specified in any of the provisions mentioned in section 17(2) of the Act shall be reduced—

- (a) in the case of the sum specified in the second column of paragraph 10 of Part I of Schedule 4 to the Social Security Act (child’s special allowance), by £1·30;
- (b) in the case of the sums specified in the second column of paragraph 4 of Part III of that Schedule (guardian’s allowance)—
 - (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1·30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0·80;
- (c) in the case of the sums specified in column (2) of Part IV of that Schedule (increase under Chapter III of Part II of the Social Security Act of certain benefits for child dependants)—
 - (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1·30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0·80;
- (d) in the case of the sums specified in the second column of paragraph 9 of Part V of the said Schedule (increase of injury benefit in respect of dependent children)—
 - (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1·30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0·80;
- (e) in the case of the sums specified in the second column of paragraph 10 of the said Part V (increase of disablement pension in respect of dependent children)—
 - (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1·30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0·80;
- (f) in the case of the sums specified in the second column of paragraph 15(a) of the said Part V (allowance at higher rate in respect of children of certain deceased persons)—
 - (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1·30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0·80;
- (g) in the case of the sums specified in the second column of paragraph 15(b) of the said Part V (allowance at lower rate in respect of children of certain deceased persons)—

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- (i) where the child is the only, elder or eldest qualifying child, by £1.30;
 - (ii) where the child is an additional qualifying child, by £0.80.”.

David Ennals,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

29th July 1977.

T. M. Cox,
T. E. Graham,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

29th July 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Child Benefit and Social Security (Fixing and Adjustment of Rates) Regulations 1976 (“the 1976 Regulations”) by providing (except in relation to certain apprentices in respect of whom an allowance was payable under the Family Allowances Acts 1965 to 1975) for higher rates of child benefit under the Child Benefit Act 1975 with effect from Monday 3rd April 1978. With effect from that date they also reduce the weekly rates of benefits and increases of benefits under the Social Security Act 1975 payable in respect of children (“child dependency benefit”).

Regulation 1 is formal; regulation 2 amends regulation 2 of the 1976 Regulations to give effect to the increases in the weekly rates of child benefit; and regulation 3 provides for the reduction of child dependency benefit.

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