STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1977

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Coming	into	Oper	ration				
Regul	lation	s 1,	2, 4	and 5	-	5th April	1977
Regul	ation	3	-	-	-	19th July	1977

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 2(1), 3(1), 3(1A), 3(4) and 10(3) of the Family Income Supplements Act 1970(a) (as amended by paragraphs 3 and 4 of Schedule 4 to the Child Benefit Act 1975(b)), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1977 and shall come into operation in the case of regulations 1, 2, 4 and 5 on 5th April 1977 and in the case of regulation 3 on 19th July 1977.
- (2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—
 "the Act" means the Family Income Supplements Act 1970;
 "benefit" means a family income supplement under the Act;
 and other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.
- (3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply in relation to this instrument and in relation to the revocations effected by it as if this instrument and the regulations revoked by it were Acts of Parliament, and as if each revocation were a repeal.

Prescribed amount from 5th April to 18th July 1977

- 2. In respect of the period from and including 5th April 1977 up to and including 18th July 1977 the prescribed amount for any family for the purposes of section 2 of the Act shall be—
 - (a) if the family includes only one child, £39.00; and
 - (b) if the family includes more than one child, £39.00 plus £3.50 for each child additional to the first.

Prescribed amount from 19th July 1977

- 3. In respect of any period from and including 19th July 1977 the prescribed amount for any family for the purposes of section 2 of the Act shall be—
 - (a) if the family includes only one child, £41.50; and
 - (b) if the family includes more than one child, £41.50 plus £3.50 for each child additional to the first.

Maximum amount of benefit

- 4. The weekly rate of benefit shall not exceed—
- (a) if the family includes only one child, £8.50; and
- (b) if the family includes more than one child, £8.50 plus £0.50 for each child additional to the first.

Revocation of regulations

- 5.—(1) The Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1975(a) and the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1976(b) are hereby revoked.
- (2) Without prejudice to the general application by regulation 1(3) of these regulations of the rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in section 38 of the Interpretation Act 1889 (effect of repeal) with regard to the effect of revocations, nothing in paragraph (1) of this regulation shall be taken as affecting the application of the regulations revoked by the said paragraph (1) in relation to any period for which benefit is payable falling before 5th April 1977.

David Ennals,

Secretary of State for Social Services.

29th March 1977.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations specify the prescribed amount for any family and the weekly rate of benefit under the Family Income Supplements Act 1970 in accordance with the amendments made to the 1970 Act by the Child Benefit Act 1975 which require that the prescribed amount and the weekly rate of benefit which had been included in sections 2 and 3 of the 1970 Act should be specified in regulations.

Regulation 1 relates to the citation, commencement and interpretation of the regulations; regulation 2 specifies the prescribed amount from 5th April 1977 up to and including 18th July 1977; regulation 3 specifies the prescribed amount from 19th July 1977 increasing it by £2·50 for all families; regulation 4 specifies the maximum weekly amount of benefit; and regulation 5 revokes previous regulations.

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