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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Amendment Regulations 1987

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The Secretary of State for Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 3(2) and (3), and 166 of, and Schedule 20(1) to, the Social Security Act 1975(2) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations, the Social Security Advisory Committee having agreed that proposals to make these Regulations should not be referred to it(3):

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Amendment Regulations 1987 and shall come into force on 28th April 1987.

Amendment of the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1978

2. After paragraph (2) of regulation 3 of the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1978(**4**) there shall be inserted the following paragraphs–

"(3) For the purposes of regulation 7(1)(g)(i) of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations 1983(5) (day not to be treated as a day of unemployment if earnings for that day exceed £2) there shall be disregarded any payment made to a person as a member of a reserve force–

- (a) by way of annual bounty; or
- (b) in respect of his attendance at an authorised drill night if that night is not later than the sixteenth such night attended by him falling within the bounty year.
- (4) In paragraph (3) above–

⁽¹⁾ See the definitions of "Prescribe" and "Regulations".

^{(2) 1975} c. 14.

⁽³⁾ See section 10 of the Social Security Act 1980 (c. 30).

⁽⁴⁾ S.I.1978/1698; relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1979/359.

⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 1983/1598.

"authorised" means authorised by the commanding officer of the reserve force unit of which the person concerned is a member;

"bounty year" means the 12 months beginning with the 1st April in any year;

"drill night" means a period during which members of the reserve force unit of which the person concerned is a member attend for training and in respect of which any payment made does not exceed one quarter of a day's pay; and

"reserve force" means any territorial or reserve force mentioned in Part I of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Contributions) Regulations 1979(6)."

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

John Major Minister of State, Department of Health and Social Security

30th March 1987

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 7(1)(g) of the Social Security (Unemployment, Sickness and Invalidity Benefit) Regulations 1983 provides that where a person is engaged in employment on any day that day shall not be treated as a day of unemployment unless, among other things, the earnings from that employment for that day are less than £2. These Regulations amend the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1978 to provide that in calculating earnings for the purposes of that regulation there shall be disregarded any payments made to a member of a territorial or reserve force by way of annual bounty or for attendance at up to 16 authorised drill nights a year.