

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations make provision for a payment to be made out of the social fund for each period of cold weather (7 days), if the claimant has been awarded income support for at least one day of that period; his applicable amount includes a disability or pensioner premium or a member of his family is under 2; and an average temperature of  $0\frac{1}{2}$  Celsius or less is recorded for that period at a climatological station designated for the area (regulation 2).

They prescribe an amount of £5 in respect of each period subject to a reduction in respect of any capital in excess of £500 (regulations 3 and 4).

These Regulations are made before the end of a period of 6 months from the commencement of the enactment under which they are made and are therefore exempt, under section 61(6) of the Social Security Act 1986, from reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee and have not been so referred.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Regulations 1988.