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The Housing Benefit, Council Tax Benefit and Supply of Information (Jobseeker's Allowance) (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 1996

Amendment of Schedule 5A to the Housing Benefit Regulations

22.—(1) Schedule 5A to the Housing Benefit Regulations(1) (extended payments of housing benefit) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

- (2) In paragraph 2—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) after the words "income support" there shall be inserted the words "or an income-based jobseeker's allowance";
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (c) after the words "entitlement to income support" there shall be inserted the words "or an income-based jobseeker's allowance";
 - (c) in sub-paragraph (d) after the words "income support" there shall be inserted the words "or an income-based jobseeker's allowance"; and
 - (d) for sub-paragraph (e) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph—
 - "(e) that the claimant had been entitled to and in receipt of income support or a jobseeker's allowance for a continuous period of at least 26 weeks until the relevant day in any of, or any combination of, the circumstances set out at subparagraph (c), and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph—
 - (i) any period of entitlement to and receipt of unemployment benefit shall be taken to be entitlement to and receipt of income support; and
 - (ii) for the avoidance of doubt a claimant satisfies the conditions of this subparagraph if he has been entitled to and in receipt of income support for at least 26 weeks, or a jobseeker's allowance for at least 26 weeks, or a combination of income support and a jobseeker's allowance for at least 26 weeks.".
- (3) In paragraph 3—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) after the words "income support" there shall be inserted the words "or an income-based jobseeker's allowance"; and
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (3)(a) at the beginning there shall be inserted the words "where the Secretary of State certifies under paragraph 2(a) that the claimant was entitled to and was in receipt of income support,".

(4) In paragraph 12 in the definition of "relevant day" after the words "income support" there shall be inserted the words "or an income-based jobseeker's allowance".

⁽¹⁾ Schedule 5A was inserted by S.I.1996/194.