STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 1516

The Jobseeker's Allowance (Amendment) Regulations 1996

PART II

JOBSEEKING

Jobseeker's Agreement treated as having been made

3. In regulation 34 of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations, insert at the end—

"(e) where the claimant was in receipt of a training allowance and was, in accordance with regulation 170, entitled to an income-based jobseeker's allowance without being available for employment, having entered into a jobseeker's agreement or actively seeking employment, for the period beginning with the date on which regulation 170 ceased to apply to him and ending on the date on which he has an interview with an employment officer for the purpose of drawing up a jobseeker's agreement."

Young person

4. The definition of "young person" in regulation 57(1) of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (interpretation) shall be amended to read as follows:

""young person" means a person who has reached the age of 16 but not the age of 18 and who does not satisfy the conditions in section 2 or whose entitlement to a contribution-based jobseeker's allowance has ceased as a result of sub-section (1) of section 5.".

Voluntary redundancy

5. In sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) of regulation 71 of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (voluntary redundancy) delete the word "or" and at the end of sub-paragraph (b) insert the words

"or

(c) where he has been laid off or kept on short-time to the extent specified in sub-section (1) of section 88 of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978(1), and has complied with the requirements of that section.".

Good cause for the purposes of section 19(5)(b)

6. In paragraph (2) of regulation 73 of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations insert at the end:

"(j) the claimant gave up a place on a training scheme or an employment programme and if he had continued to participate in it he would have, or would have been likely to have, put his health and safety at risk.".

Person in receipt of a training allowance

7. After regulation 74 of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation:

"Person in receipt of a training allowance

74A.—(1) An income-based jobseeker's allowance shall be payable to a claimant even though section 19 prevents payment of a jobseeker's allowance to him where the claimant is in receipt of a training allowance and is not receiving training falling within paragraph (2) of regulation 170 but the jobseeker's allowance shall be payable only if and for so long as he satisfies the conditions of entitlement to an income-based jobseeker's allowance other than those which he is not required to meet by virtue of regulation 170.

(2) An income-based jobseeker's allowance which is payable to a claimant in accordance with this regulation shall be payable to him at the full rate applicable in his case.".

Minor amendments

8. The provisions of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations specified in column (1) of Part I of the Schedule to these Regulations shall be amended to the extent specified in column (2) of that Schedule.