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## SCHEDULE 6

### FAMILY BENEFITS

#### PART III

##### CONTRIBUTIONS: COMMON PROVISIONS

14.—(1) This paragraph applies where—

- (a) an election is made under paragraph 3 or 4, or
- (b) an election is made under paragraph 10 to pay family benefit contributions by Method A.

(2) The rate at which family benefit contributions are to be paid, and any higher rate substituted by an election under sub-paragraph (4), must be an integral percentage, not in any case exceeding 9, of the person's contributable salary.

(3) In the case of a person who is paying additional contributions under regulation C4 or C6, or towards the provision of a pension otherwise than under these Regulations, sub-paragraph (2) has effect with the substitution for "9" of the number obtained by deducting from 9 the percentage rate of those contributions.

(4) The election may at any time be varied by an election to pay the family benefit contributions at a specified higher rate.

(5) An election under sub-paragraph (4) must be made by giving written notice to the Secretary of State, and has effect from the first day of the month following that in which the notice is received by him.

(6) The payment period begins on the first day of the month following that in which it is notified to the person by the Secretary of State.

(7) If after the start of the payment period there is an interval of more than 30 days during which the person is not in pensionable employment or paying additional contributions under regulation C9 or C10—

- (a) the interval is not part of the payment period, but
- (b) the end of the payment period is postponed by the length of the interval.

(8) If after the start of the payment period the person becomes employed in part-time pensionable employment, the length of the payment period is increased by so much of the period of part-time employment as does not count as reckonable service.

(9) If the original election is varied by one made under sub-paragraph (4) ("the further election") a new payment period begins on the effective date of the further election and the length of the new payment period is

$$A - \left( \frac{B}{C} \times D \right),$$

where—

A is what the length of the payment period would have been if the increased rate had been specified in the original election,

B is the rate specified in the original election,

C is the increased rate, and

D is the period from the start of the payment period to the effective date of the further election.

(10) The contributions—

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- (a) are payable from the start of the payment period,
- (b) continue to be payable while the person is in pensionable employment or paying additional contributions under regulation C9 or C10, and
- (c) cease to be payable if he dies or becomes entitled to retirement benefits before the end of the payment period.