
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Social Security (Miscellaneous
Amendments) Regulations 1998**

PART II

CHILD MAINTENANCE BONUS

Amendments to the Child Maintenance Bonus Regulations

2.—(1) The Child Maintenance Bonus Regulations shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) In regulation 1(2) (interpretation) for the definition of “child maintenance” there shall be substituted the following definition—

““child maintenance” means maintenance in any of the following forms—

- (a) child support maintenance paid or payable;
- (b) maintenance paid or payable by an absent parent to a person with care of a qualifying child, under an agreement (whether enforceable or not) between them, or by virtue of an order of a court; or
- (c) maintenance deducted from any benefit payable to an absent parent who is liable to maintain a qualifying child,

which, as the case may be, is paid, payable or deducted on or after 1st April 1998, but does not include any maintenance paid or payable in respect of a former partner.”.

(3) In regulation 3(1) (entitlement to a bonus) for sub-paragraph (f) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph—

“(f) the work condition is satisfied within the period of—

- (i) in a case where an applicant with care cares for one child only and that child dies, 12 months immediately following the date of death;
- (ii) in a case where the absent parent has—
 - (aa) died;
 - (bb) ceased to be habitually resident in the United Kingdom; or
 - (cc) has been found not to be the parent of the qualifying child or children, 12 weeks immediately following the first date on which any of those events occurs;
- (iii) in any other case, 14 days immediately following the day on which the bonus period applying to the applicant comes to an end.”.

(4) In regulation 4(1) (bonus period) for head (i) of sub-paragraph (c)(1) there shall be substituted the following head—

- “(i) paid or payable to the applicant; or”.
- (5) In regulation 10(1) (claiming a bonus)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (b), the words “(c) or” shall be omitted; and
 - (b) sub-paragraph (c) shall be omitted.