### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2000 No. 1403

## The Stakeholder Pension Schemes Regulations 2000

## PART II

#### CONDITIONS APPLYING TO STAKEHOLDER PENSION SCHEMES

#### [<sup>F1</sup>Service of information by a scheme

**18C.**—(1) Except where these Regulations otherwise provide, the trustees or manager of the scheme may furnish or give any relevant information by—

- (a) sending it to a member or beneficiary's last known postal address; or
- (b) subject to paragraphs (2) to (4), using either or both of the following methods—
  - (i) sending it to a member or beneficiary's last known electronic address,
  - (ii) making it available on a website (see regulation 18E).
- (2) Where the member or beneficiary has requested in writing that—
  - (a) any relevant information; or
  - (b) all relevant information,

is not furnished or given in accordance with paragraph (1)(b), that relevant information may not be furnished or given in accordance with paragraph (1)(b).

(3) Relevant information may only be furnished or given in accordance with paragraph (1)(b) where the trustees or manager of the scheme are satisfied that the electronic communications have been designed—

- (a) so that members or beneficiaries will be able to—
  - (i) get access to, and
  - (ii) store or print,

the relevant information; and

- (b) taking into account the requirements of disabled persons.
- $[^{F2}(4)$  Where—
  - (a) a member or beneficiary was a member or beneficiary of the scheme on 1stDecember 2010; and
  - (b) relevant information was not given by the trustees or managers of the scheme before that date by the methods described in paragraph (1)(b),

relevant information may not be furnished or given to the member or beneficiary in accordance with paragraph (1)(b) unless the trustees or managers of the scheme have given them the written notice referred to in paragraph (5).]

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 $F^{2}(4A)$  The written notice mentioned in paragraph (4) must not be given by the methods mentioned in paragraph (1)(b).]

- (5) The written notice mentioned in paragraph (4) must state that—
  - (a) the trustees or manager of the scheme propose to furnish or give relevant information to the member or beneficiary by means of an electronic communication; and
  - (b) the member or beneficiary may request in writing that relevant information is not furnished or given by means of an electronic communication.

(6) In this regulation, "relevant information" means any information, declaration, notice, notification or statement which these Regulations require the trustees or manager of a scheme to give or furnish to a member or beneficiary of the scheme.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Regs. 18-18E substituted for reg. 18 (1.12.2010) by The Occupational, Personal and Stakeholder Pension Schemes (Disclosure of Information) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (S.I. 2010/2659), regs. 1(2), 4(6)
- F2 Reg. 18C(4)(4A) substituted for reg. 18C(4) (6.4.2014) by The Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Disclosure of Information) Regulations 2013 (S.I. 2013/2734), reg. 1(1), Sch. 9 para. 9(6)

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Stakeholder Pension Schemes Regulations 2000, Section 18C.