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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**SOCIAL SECURITY**

The Social Security (Work-focused  
Interviews) Regulations 2000

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THE SOCIAL SECURITY (WORK-FOCUSED  
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SCHEDULE 2 — HOUSING BENEFIT AMENDMENTS

1. The Housing Benefit Regulations shall be amended in accordance with...
2. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation), after the entry relating to “water...
3. (1) In regulation 68 (date on which change of circumstances...
4. In regulation 79 (review of determinations)– (a) in paragraph (1),...
5. In regulation 81 (further review of determinations)–
6. In Schedule 6 (matters to be included in the Notice...

SCHEDULE 3 — COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT AMENDMENTS

1. The Council Tax Benefit Regulations shall be amended in accordance...
2. In regulation 2(1) (interpretation), after the entry relating to “water...
3. (1) In regulation 59 (date on which change of circumstances...
4. In regulation 69 (review of determinations)– (a) in paragraph (1),...
5. In regulation 70 (further review of determinations)–
6. In Schedule 6 (matters to be included in the notice...

SCHEDULE 4 — AMENDMENTS TO THE HOUSING BENEFIT REGULATIONS  
AND COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT REGULATIONS RELATING TO  
CLAIMS

PART I — **HOUSING BENEFIT AMENDMENTS**

1. The Housing Benefit Regulations shall be amended in accordance with...
2. In regulation 2 (interpretation), in paragraph (1)–
3. In regulation 71 (who may claim), in paragraph (7), for...
4. In regulation 72 (time and manner in which claims are...
5. In regulation 72A (date of claim where claim sent or...
6. For regulations 72B and 72C, there shall be substituted the...
7. In regulation 73 (evidence and information) paragraph (7) shall be...
8. In regulation 75 (duty to notify change of circumstances), in...

PART II — **COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT AMENDMENTS**

1. The Council Tax Benefit Regulations shall be amended in accordance...
2. In regulation 2 (interpretation), in paragraph (1)–
3. In regulation 61 (who may claim), in paragraph (7), for...
4. In regulation 62 (time and manner in which claims are...
5. In regulation 62A (date of claim where claim sent or...
6. For regulations 62B and 62C, there shall be substituted the...
7. In regulation 63 (evidence and information), paragraph (7) shall be...
8. In regulation 65 (duty to notify changes of circumstances), in...

SCHEDULE 5 — CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS AND  
PAYMENTS REGULATIONS

1. The Claims and Payments Regulations shall be amended in accordance...
2. In regulation 4 (making a claim for benefit) after paragraph...
3. In paragraph (1) of regulation 6 (date of claim) after...
4. After regulation 6, there shall be inserted the following regulation–...

SCHEDULE 6 — DECISIONS AND APPEALS

1. The Social Security and Child Support (Decisions and Appeals)  
Regulations...
2. In regulation 1(3) (interpretation)– (a) after the entry relating to...

3. In regulation 3 (revision of decisions)– (a) after paragraph (6),...
4. In regulation 6 (supersession of decisions), in paragraph (2), at...
5. In regulation 7 (date from which decision superseded takes effect),...
6. In regulation 33, in paragraph (2), after sub-paragraph (dd) there...
7. At the end of Schedule 2 there shall be added...
8. In regulation 2 of the Child Support (Maintenance Assessment Procedure)...
9. In regulation 1 of the Child Support Departure Direction and...

Explanatory Note