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IMMIGRATION

The Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2003

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by paragraphs 1 and 3 of Schedule 8 to the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999(a), hereby makes the following Regulations:

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 3rd March 2003.
 - 2. After regulation 10 of the Asylum Support Regulations 2000(b), insert:

"Additional support for pregnant women and children under 3

10A.—(1) In addition to the redemption value of the vouchers redeemable for cash described in regulation 10(2), in the case of any pregnant woman or child aged under 3 for whom the Secretary of State has decided asylum support should be provided, there shall, as a general rule, be added to the redemption value for any week the amount shown in the second column of the following table opposite the entry in the first column which for the time being describes that person.

TABLE

Pregnant woman	£3.00
Child aged under 1	£5.00
Child aged at least 1 and under 3	£3.00

(2) In this regulation, "pregnant woman" means a woman who has provided evidence to satisfy the Secretary of State that she is pregnant."

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Home Office Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State 7th February 2003

⁽a) 1999 c. 33.

⁽b) S.I. 2000/704; regulation 10(2) was replaced, and regulation 10(6) revoked, by regulation 4 of the Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/472).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which come into force on 3rd March 2003, provide for additional weekly payments to be made, as a general rule, to pregnant women and in respect of children aged under 3, for whom asylum support is provided. The weekly payments are made in the form of vouchers redeemable for cash.



£1.50

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