
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 325

**The Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit
(State Pension Credit) Regulations 2003**

PART 1

General

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (State Pension Credit) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force—

- (a) for the purposes of this regulation and regulation 30, on 6th April 2003;
- (b) for all other purposes, on 6th October 2003.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the Housing Benefit Regulations” means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987(1);

“the Council Tax Benefit Regulations” means the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992(2);

“the qualifying age for state pension credit” is (in accordance with section 1(2)(b) and (6) of the State Pension Credit Act)—

- (a) in the case of a woman, pensionable age; or
- (b) in the case of a man, the age which is pensionable age in the case of a woman born on the same day as the man;

“the State Pension Credit Act” means the State Pension Credit Act 2002.

(3) In Part 5 of these Regulations, references in any provision inserted—

- (a) in the Housing Benefit Regulations to a regulation of or Schedule to those Regulations is to those provisions as modified or amended by these Regulations;
- (b) in the Council Tax Benefit Regulations to a regulation of or Schedule to those Regulations is to those provisions as modified or amended by these Regulations.