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SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Income-related Benefits and Jobseeker's Allowance
(Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) (Amendment)
Regulations 2003**

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Coming into force 6th April 2003

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 123(1)(d) and (e), 136(3), (4) and (5)(b), 137(1) and 175(1) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after consultation in respect of these Regulations relating to housing benefit and council tax benefit with organisations appearing to him to be representative of the authorities concerned(b) and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(c), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Income-related Benefits and Jobseeker's Allowance (Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 6th April 2003.

Amendment of the Income-related Benefits and Jobseeker's Allowance (Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) (Amendment) Regulations 2002

2.—(1) Schedules 3 and 4 to the Income-related Benefits and Jobseeker's Allowance (Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) (Amendment) Regulations 2002(d) (amendment of the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987(e) and the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992(f)) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.

(2) In paragraph 10—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1) of the substituted paragraph 16 for the words “a sum equal to the 30 hour element of working tax credit referred to in regulation 20(1)(c) of the Working Tax Credit Regulations” there shall be substituted “£11.90”;

(a) 1992 c.4; section 123(1)(e) is substituted and section 137 amended, with respect to council tax benefit, by Schedule 9 to the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (c.14); section 137(1) is cited for the definition of “prescribed”; section 175(1) and (4) was amended by paragraph 29 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security Contributions (Transfer of Functions, etc.) Act 1999 (c.2).

(b) See section 176(1)(a) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c.5).

(c) See sections 172(1) and 173(1)(b) of that Act.

(d) S.I. 2002/2402.

(e) S.I. 1987/1971.

(f) S.I. 1992/1814.

(b) for sub-paragraph (3)(c) of the substituted paragraph 16, there shall be substituted the following—

“(c) £11.90.”

(3) In paragraph 11(b) for the words “the amount specified for that element in Schedule 2 to those Regulations” there shall be substituted “£11.90”.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

Malcolm Wicks
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department for Work and Pensions

19th March 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Income-related Benefits and Jobseeker’s Allowance (Working Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit) (Amendment) Regulations 2002 in connection with the introduction of child tax credit and working tax credit by the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c.21).

The amendments provide for a specific income disregard of up to £11.90 in the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987 (S.I. 1987/1971) and the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992 (S.I. 1992/1814).

These Regulations do not impose a charge on business.

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