
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Scheme)

This Scheme further amends the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1983 (“the principal Scheme”) which makes provision for the payment of pensions and allowances to or in respect of civilians who were killed or injured during the 1939-45 World War by increasing the amounts of allowances, pensions and awards payable under the principal Scheme and the amounts of income to be disregarded for the purposes of certain parts of the Scheme.

Paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 amends article 26A (funeral expenses) in the principal Scheme to allow funeral expenses to be paid in respect of funerals which take place on or after 12th April 2004 outside the British Islands and the Republic of Ireland. It also amends the article so that a maximum of £1400 is applied to the funeral expenses which may be payable in respect of all funerals which take place on or after 12th April 2004.

Sub-paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 1 amends Schedule 7 to the principal Scheme by substituting a new table, thereby varying the amounts to be deducted under article 64. Unemployability allowance will be subject to deduction under article 64 on or after 12th April 2004 after a period of 52 weeks hospitalisation rather than 13 weeks.

This Scheme does not impose any costs on business.