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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 1986**

**The Financial Assistance Scheme Regulations 2005**

**PART 6**

**ADMINISTRATION OF PAYMENTS**

**Direct credit transfer**

**20.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), monthly instalments under regulation 19 may, by an arrangement between the scheme manager and the beneficiary or his appointed representative, be paid by way of direct credit transfer into a bank or other account—

- (a) in the name of the beneficiary, his appointed representative or any other person with the consent of the beneficiary; or
- (b) in the joint names of the beneficiary and any other person or the appointed representative and any other person.

(2) Monthly instalments shall be paid in accordance with paragraph (1) within seven days of the day on which each instalment is payable under regulation 19(1).

(3) The scheme manager may make a particular payment by direct credit transfer otherwise than in accordance with paragraph (1) if it appears to him to be appropriate to do so for the purpose of paying any arrears.

(4) The arrangements under this regulation may be terminated—

- (a) by the beneficiary or his appointed representative, by notice in writing delivered or sent to the scheme manager; or
- (b) by the scheme manager if the arrangement seems to him to be no longer appropriate to the circumstances of the particular case.

(5) A direct credit transfer into the account of an appointed representative or of any person to whom an amount is paid with the consent of the beneficiary, shall be a good discharge to the scheme manager for any sum paid under these Regulations.