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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 729**

**The Statutory Maternity Pay (General)  
(Amendment) Regulations 2005**

**Amendment of regulation 1 of the principal Regulations**

**2.** In regulation 1(2) of the principal Regulations (citation, commencement and interpretation), after the definition of “the Contributions and Benefits Act” there shall be inserted the following definition—

““statutory maternity leave” means ordinary maternity leave and any additional maternity leave under, respectively, sections 71 and 73 of the Employment Rights Act 1996(1).”.

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(1) 1996 c. 18. Sections 71 and 73 were substituted by the Employment Relations Act 1999 (c. 26), Schedule 4, Part I and were amended by the Employment Act 2002 (c. 22), section 17(2) to (4).