
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 688

**The Jobseeker's Allowance (Mandatory
Work Activity Scheme) Regulations 2011**

PART 2

Selection for and participation in the Mandatory Work Activity Scheme

Selection for participation in the Scheme

3.—(1) The Secretary of State may select a claimant who is aged at least 18 for participation in the Scheme.

(2) Only a claimant who is required to meet the jobseeking conditions⁽¹⁾ may be required to participate in the Scheme.

Requirement to participate and notification

4.—(1) Subject to regulation 5, a claimant (“C”) selected under regulation 3 is required to participate in the Scheme where the Secretary of State gives C a notice in writing complying with paragraph (2).

(2) The notice must specify—

- (a) that C is required to participate in the Scheme;
- (b) the day on which C’s participation will start;
- (c) that C’s participation will be for four weeks;
- (d) details of what C is required to do by way of participation in the Scheme;
- (e) that the requirement to participate in the Scheme will continue until C is given notice by the Secretary of State that C’s participation is no longer required, or C’s award of jobseeker’s allowance terminates, whichever is earlier;
- (f) information about the consequences of failing to participate in the Scheme.

(3) Any changes made to the requirements mentioned in paragraph (2)(d) after the date on which C’s participation starts must be notified to C in writing.

Circumstances in which requirement to participate in the Scheme ceases to apply

5.—(1) A requirement to participate in the Scheme ceases to apply to a claimant (“C”) if—

- (a) the Secretary of State gives C notice in writing that C is no longer required to participate in the Scheme, or
- (b) C’s award of jobseeker’s allowance terminates,

whichever is earlier.

⁽¹⁾ See section 17A(10) of the Act for the meaning of the “jobseeking conditions”.

- (2) The requirement ceases to apply on the day specified in the notice.