## SCHEDULE 3

Circumstances in which a claimant is, or is to be, treated as occupying accommodation

## PART 2

Legacy benefit claimants and SPC claimants

## Temporary absence of up to 13 weeks

- **9.** A claimant, except where paragraph 10 applies, shall be treated as occupying accommodation as the claimant's home throughout any period of absence not exceeding 13 weeks, where—
  - (a) the claimant intends to return to occupy the accommodation as the claimant's home;
  - (b) the part of the accommodation occupied by the claimant has not been let or sub-let to another person; and
  - (c) the period of absence is unlikely to exceed 13 weeks.

**Changes to legislation:**There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Loans for Mortgage Interest Regulations 2017, Paragraph 9.