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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 760**

**The Jobseeker's Allowance (Hardship)  
(Amendment) Regulations 2017**

**Amendment of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996**

2.—(1) The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996(1) are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 140(1) (meaning of “person in hardship”)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (g), after “physical” insert “or mental”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (j), for “hardship.” substitute “hardship; or”;
- (c) at the end of sub-paragraph (k) insert “; or”;
- (d) after sub-paragraph (k) insert—

“(l) is a person who is homeless within the meaning of Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996(2), Part 2 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014(3) or Part 2 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987(4), as the case may be.”.

(3) In regulation 141(2)(5) (circumstances in which an income-based jobseeker's allowance is payable to a person in hardship), for “paragraph (d)(ii) of subsection (2)” substitute “paragraph (b) of subsection (2A)”.

(4) In regulation 146A(1)(6) (meaning of “couple in hardship”)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (d), after “physical” insert “or mental”;
- (b) at the end of sub-paragraph (g) insert “or”;
- (c) at the end of sub-paragraph (h) insert “; or”;
- (d) after sub-paragraph (h) insert—

“(i) either member of the couple is a person who is homeless within the meaning of Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996, Part 2 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 or Part 2 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, as the case may be.”.

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(1) [S.I. 1996/207](#).

(2) [1996 c.52](#).

(3) [2014 anaw 7](#).

(4) [1987 c.26](#).

(5) Regulation 141(2) is amended by [S.I. 1996/1517](#) and [2538](#) and [S.I. 2014/2309](#)

(6) Regulation 146A is inserted by [S.I. 2000/1978](#). There are amendments to that regulation which are not relevant to these Regulations.