STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 148

The Free School Lunches and Milk, and School and Early Years Finance (Amendments Relating to Universal Credit) (England) Regulations 2018

Part 2

Prescribed circumstances relating to universal credit

Prescribed circumstances: receipt of universal credit

- **4.** For the purposes of regulations 2 and 3—
 - (a) "earned income" means income for the purposes of Chapter 2 of Part 6 of the Universal Credit Regulations 2013(1);
 - (b) The relevant assessment period and the applicable amount are those referred to in the following sub-paragraphs as applicable—
 - (i) except where sub-paragraphs (ii) or (iii) apply, where the parent has earned income which did not exceed £616.67 in the universal credit assessment period(2) immediately preceding the date of the request for a free school meal (period 1)—
 - (aa) the relevant assessment period is period 1; and
 - (bb) the applicable amount is £616.67;
 - (ii) this sub-paragraph applies where sub-paragraph (i) does not because the applicable amount referred to in that sub-paragraph is exceeded and there is a universal credit assessment period (period 2) immediately preceding period 1 referred to in that sub-paragraph—
 - (aa) the relevant assessment period is the sum of period 1 and period 2 (SAP);
 - (bb) the applicable amount is £1,233.34;
 - (iii) this sub-paragraph applies where sub-paragraph (ii) does not because the applicable amount referred to in that sub-paragraph is exceeded and there is a universal credit assessment period (period 3) immediately preceding period 2 referred to in that paragraph—
 - (aa) the relevant assessment period is the period made up of SAP and period 3; and
 - (bb) the applicable amount is £1,850;
 - (c) where C, or as the case may be C's parent, is—

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2013/376. Chapter 2 of Part 6 is concerned with earned income for the purpose of calculating an award of universal credit.

⁽²⁾ An assessment period is prescribed by regulation 2(1) of the Universal Credit Regulations 2013 as a period of one month beginning with the first day of entitlement and each subsequent period of one month during which entitlement subsists.

- (i) a member of a couple who have jointly made a claim for, and are entitled to, universal credit; or
- (ii) a member of a couple but has claimed, and is entitled to, universal credit as a single person,

references to applicable amounts in sub-paragraphs (i) to (iii) of paragraph (b) as applicable are to be read as references to the combined income of the couple.