
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 1514

**The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership
(Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019**

PART 7

Amendments: Pensions and Social Security: Secondary Legislation

Housing Benefit regulations of 2006

108. In regulation 2(1) of the Housing Benefit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006⁽¹⁾, and in regulation 2(1) of the Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006⁽²⁾, for the definition of “couple” substitute—

““couple” means—

- (a) two people who are married to, or civil partners of, each other and are members of the same household, or
- (b) two people who are not married to, or civil partners of, each other but are living together as if spouses of each other;”.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 108 in force at 13.1.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

(1) S.R. (N.I.) 2006/405.
(2) S.R. (N.I.) 2006/406.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019, Section 108.