
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Social Security (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations 2021

Amendments to the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1987

2.—(1) Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1987⁽¹⁾ (deductions from benefit and direct payment to third parties) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1(1) (interpretation), after the definition of “miscellaneous accommodation costs” insert—

““*moratorium debt*” has the same meaning as in regulation 6 of the Debt Respite Scheme (Breathing Space Moratorium and Mental Health Crisis Moratorium) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020⁽²⁾.”

(3) In paragraph 3(2) (housing costs) after “discharged” insert “or is a moratorium debt”.

(4) In paragraph 6(4)(b) (fuel costs) after “discharged” insert “or is a moratorium debt”.

(5) In paragraph 7(6) (water charges) after “discharged” insert “or is a moratorium debt”.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 1987/1968; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/522, 1992/1026, 1992/2595, 1999/3178, 2013/443, 2017/725.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2020/1311; the definition of “moratorium debt” in regulation 6 refers to a “qualifying debt”. A “qualifying debt” is defined in regulation 5 of the same instrument.