#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2023 No. 942

# The Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) Regulations 2023

#### PART 1

#### Introductory provisions

#### Citation, commencement and extent

- 1. These Regulations—
  - (a) may be cited as the Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) Regulations 2023;
  - (b) come into force on 1st October 2023;
  - (c) extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

#### **Commencement Information**

II Reg. 1 in force at 1.10.2023, see reg. 1(b)

#### Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

"PSPJOA 2022" means the Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Act 2022;

"the 2014 Regulations" means the Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions Regulations 2014(1);

"the PSP Directions 2022" means the Public Service Pensions (Exercise of Powers, Compensation and Information) Directions 2022(2);

"alpha" means the pension scheme established by the 2014 Regulations;

"alpha benefits" means new scheme benefits(3) under alpha;

"civil service scheme" means alpha or the PCSPS;

"deferred choice decision" has the meaning given in regulation 12(1);

"deferred choice decision-maker" means the person who may make a deferred choice decision under regulation 12(2);

<sup>(1)</sup> S.I. 2014/1964.

<sup>(2)</sup> Published on 15th December 2022 and accessible online at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-service-pensions-and-judicial-offices-act-2022-treasury-directions. A hard copy is available on written request to His Majesty's Treasury, 1 Horse Guards Road, London, SW1A 2HQ.

<sup>(3)</sup> See section 34 of PSPJOA 2022 for the meaning of "new scheme benefits".

"deferred choice member" means a member with remediable service who is not an immediate choice member;

"end of the section 10 election period", in relation to a deferred choice member, means the end of the day determined in accordance with—

- (a) where the member is the deferred choice decision-maker, regulation 13(1)(b);
- (b) where a person other than the member is the deferred choice decision-maker, regulation 13(4)(b);

"immediate choice decision" has the meaning given in regulation 8(1);

"immediate choice decision-maker" means the person who may make an immediate choice decision under regulation 8(2);

"immediate choice member" means a member with remediable service who, immediately before 1st October 2023, was deceased or entitled to the present payment of a pension, other than an excluded pension, under a civil service scheme; and "excluded pension" means a pension the rate of which—

- (a) is not determined (by any extent) by reference to the member's remediable service, and
- (b) is not affected by the coming into force of section 2(1) of PSPJOA 2022;

"member" means an active, deferred, deceased or pensioner, but not a pension credit(4), member of a civil service scheme;

"opted-out service election" has the meaning given in regulation 6(1);

"the PCSPS" means the pension scheme made under section 1 of the Superannuation Act 1972(5) which is the principal civil service pension scheme within the meaning of section 2(10)(6) of that Act, and in relation to a member—

- (a) "the PCSPS" means the Section of the PCSPS that is the relevant Chapter 1 legacy scheme(7) for the member;
- (b) "PCSPS benefits" means benefits under the PCSPS;

"remediable service", in relation to a member, means (except in this definition) the member's remediable service(8) in an employment or office that is pensionable service under a civil service scheme;

"remedy member" means a deferred choice member or an immediate choice member;

"the scheme manager" means the Minister for the Civil Service;

"Section I" means Section I of the PCSPS;

"Section II" means Section II of the PCSPS;

"Section III" means Section III of the PCSPS;

"section 6 election" has the meaning given in regulation 8(1)(a);

"section 10 election" has the meaning given in regulation 12(1)(a).

- (2) For the purposes of these Regulations, a reference in PSPJOA 2022 to section 2(1) of that Act coming into force is to be understood as a reference to that section coming into force in relation to members of a civil service scheme.
  - (3) A term used in these Regulations which—
    - (a) is defined in, or for the purposes of, a provision in Chapter 1 of Part 1 of PSPJOA 2022, and

<sup>(4)</sup> See section 19(7) of PSPJOA 2022 for the meanings of "pension debit" and "pension credit".

<sup>(5) 1972</sup> c. 11.

<sup>(6)</sup> Section 2(10) was amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act 2010 (c. 25).

<sup>(7)</sup> See section 4 of PSPJOA 2022 for the meaning of "the relevant Chapter 1 legacy scheme".

<sup>(8)</sup> See section 1 of PSPJOA 2022 for the meaning of "remediable service".

- (b) is not defined differently in these Regulations, has the meaning given in, or for the purposes of, that provision.
  - (4) A term used in these Regulations which—
    - (a) is defined in the 2014 Regulations, Section I, Section II or Section III (a "relevant scheme"), and
    - (b) is not defined differently in—
      - (i) these Regulations, or
- (ii) in, or for the purposes of, a provision in Chapter 1 of Part 1 of PSPJOA 2022, has, in relation to the relevant scheme, the meaning given in that scheme.
- (5) In these Regulations, a reference to a provision of the PSP Directions 2022 is a reference to that provision as amended from time to time.

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Commencement Information
12 Reg. 2 in force at 1.10.2023, see reg. 1(b)
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#### **Delegation**

**3.** The scheme manager may delegate any functions of the scheme manager under these Regulations, including this power to delegate.

# Commencement Information 13 Reg. 3 in force at 1.10.2023, see reg. 1(b)

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Public Service (Civil Servants and Others) Pensions (Remediable Service) Regulations 2023, PART 1.