

1984 No. 120

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Supplementary Benefit (Conditions of Entitlement) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984

Made 9th April 1984

Coming into operation 10th April 1984

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 2(2) and 9(1) of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations which correspond to provision contained in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Social Services in relation to Great Britain and which accordingly, by virtue of section 10(2) of, and paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security Act 1980(b) are not subject to the requirement of section 10(1) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Supplementary Benefit (Conditions of Entitlement) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 and shall come into operation on 10th April 1984.

(2) In these regulations “the principal regulations” means the Supplementary Benefit (Conditions of Entitlement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(c).

Amendment of the principal regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 9 of the principal regulations (circumstances in which persons are to be treated as engaged in remunerative full-time work) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions.

(2) At the end of paragraph (1)(b) there shall be added “or where those earnings which fall to be taken into account as aforesaid are in respect of more than one period, including wholly or partly overlapping periods, the claimant shall be so treated as engaged in remunerative full-time work for the aggregate of those periods beginning with the earliest date on which any of those earnings are treated as paid under and in accordance with sub-paragraph (b) of the said regulation 9(2)”.

(3) In paragraph (3) after sub-paragraph (b) there shall be added the following sub-paragraph—

“(c) earnings to which paragraph (1)(b) applies and which are calculated, or are capable of being calculated, as being in respect of a period other than the period in respect of which those earnings are payable, that first mentioned period shall be the period in respect of which those earnings are payable for the purposes of sub-paragraph (a)(i) of regulation 9(2) of the Resources Regulations.”.

(a) S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27); see definition of “regulations” in Article 2(2); provisions of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977, as amended by Article 7 of, and Part I of Schedule 2 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8)), are set out in Part II of that Schedule

(b) 1980 c. 30

(c) S.R. 1981 No. 371; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1982 No. 240 and S.R. 1983 No. 191

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 9th April 1984.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Supplementary Benefit (Conditions of Entitlement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981. Regulation 2 amends regulation 9 of those regulations to provide that

- where a claimant receives more than one payment of earnings from his employer on the termination of his employment, he is to be treated as engaged in remunerative full-time work (and hence not entitled to supplementary benefit) for the aggregate of the periods for which those payments fall to be taken into account by virtue of regulation 9(2) of the Supplementary Benefit (Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981;
- earnings which are calculated in respect of a period or are capable of being so calculated are to be treated as payable for that period.