

1984 No. 424

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Social Security (Contributions, Re-rating) (No. 2) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1984**

Made 7th December 1984

Coming into operation 6th April 1985

Whereas the Secretary of State for Social Services has made an order(a) under sections 120(5) and (6) and 121(2) of the Social Security Act 1975(b);

Now, therefore, the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 120 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(c) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Social Security (Contributions, Re-rating) (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1984 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1985.

(2) In this order “the Act” means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975.

Rate of, and small earnings exception from, Class 2 contributions

2. In section 7 of the Act (Class 2 contributions)—

(a) in subsection (1) (weekly rate) for “£4·60”(d) there shall be substituted “£4·75”;

(b) in subsection (5) (small earnings exception) for “£1,850”(e) there shall be substituted “£1,925”.

Amount of Class 3 contributions

3. In section 8(1) of the Act (amount of Class 3 contributions) for “£4·50”(f) there shall be substituted “£4·65”.

Lower and upper limits for Class 4 contributions

4. In sections 9(2) and 10(1) of the Act (Class 4 contributions recoverable under Tax Acts and regulations)—

(a) for “£3,950” (lower limit)(g) wherever that amount appears there shall be substituted in each of those sections “£4,150”;

(a) S.I. 1984/1905

(b) 1975 c. 14

(c) 1975 c. 15; section 120 was amended by Article 18(17) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/610 (N.I. 11)) and Article 16 of, and paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5))

(d) See Article 2(a) of the Social Security (Contributions, Re-rating) Order (Northern Ireland) 1984 (S.R. 1984 No. 5)

(e) See Article 2(b) of S.R. 1984 No. 5

(f) See Article 3 of S.R. 1984 No. 5

(g) See Article 4(a) of S.R. 1984 No. 5

(b) for “£13,000” (upper limit)(a) there shall be substituted in each of those sections “£13,780”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 7th December 1984.

(L.S.)

A. N. Burns

Assistant Secretary

(a) See Article 4(b) of S.R. 1984 No. 5

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This order, which corresponds to an order (S.I. 1984/1905) made by the Secretary of State for Social Services under sections 120(5) and (6) and 121(2) of the Social Security Act 1975, increases the rates of Class 2 and 3 contributions payable under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975. It also increases the amount of earnings below which an earner may be excepted from liability for Class 2 contributions, and the lower and upper limits of profits or gains between which Class 4 contributions are payable.