



Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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PART 4

FURTHER PROVISION IN CONNECTION WITH PARTS 2 AND 3

[^{F1}Identifying possible eligibility]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 84C: s. 53 and cross-heading renumbered as s. 84C and cross-heading (26.7.2021) by [Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 18\)](#), **ss. 9(2), 18(2)(3)** (with s. 10); S.S.I. 2021/232, reg. 2(c)

[^{F2}84C] Duty to inform about possible eligibility

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if, in the course of their making a determination of an individual's entitlement to assistance [^{F3}under Part 2 or (as the case may be) regulations under section 79,] it appears to the Scottish Ministers that the individual may be eligible for other assistance.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) inform the individual that the individual may be eligible for the other assistance, and
 - (b) either—
 - (i) provide the individual with information about how to apply for it, or
 - (ii) if regulations under section 52 [^{F4}, or (as the case may be) section 79] so allow, ask the individual whether they should proceed with making a determination of the individual's entitlement to the other assistance without receiving an application.
- (3) Subsection (2)(b)(ii) does not preclude the Scottish Ministers from requesting further information under section 54(1) [^{F5}, or (as the case may be) regulations under section 79] for the purpose of determining the individual's entitlement to the other assistance.
- (4) In this section, “other assistance” means—

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- [^{F6}(a) where the determination mentioned in subsection (1) relates to an individual's entitlement to assistance under Part 2—
- (i) a different type of assistance described in Chapter 2 of that Part from the type of assistance that the determination mentioned in subsection (1) relates to,
 - (ii) the same type of assistance as that determination relates to, but in respect of a different period or (as the case may be) event, or
 - (iii) assistance under regulations under section 79,
- (b) where the determination mentioned in subsection (1) relates to an individual's entitlement to assistance under regulations under section 79—
- (i) a different type of assistance described in regulations under section 79 from the type of assistance that the determination mentioned in subsection (1) relates to,
 - (ii) the same type of assistance as that determination relates to, but in respect of a different period or (as the case may be) event, or
 - (iii) a type of assistance described in Chapter 2 of Part 2.]

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- F3** Words in s. 84C(1) inserted (26.7.2021) by [Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 18\), ss. 9\(3\)\(a\), 18\(2\)\(3\)](#) (with s. 10); S.S.I. 2021/232, reg. 2(c)
- F4** Words in s. 84C(2)(b)(ii) inserted (26.7.2021) by [Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 18\), ss. 9\(3\)\(b\), 18\(2\)\(3\)](#) (with s. 10); S.S.I. 2021/232, reg. 2(c)
- F5** Words in s. 84C(3) inserted (26.7.2021) by [Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 18\), ss. 9\(3\)\(c\), 18\(2\)\(3\)](#) (with s. 10); S.S.I. 2021/232, reg. 2(c)
- F6** S. 84C(4)(a)(b) substituted (26.7.2021) by [Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 18\), ss. 9\(3\)\(d\), 18\(2\)\(3\)](#) (with s. 10); S.S.I. 2021/232, reg. 2(c)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 81(4C) inserted by [2021 asp 20 s. 2\(a\)](#)
- s. 85D inserted by [2020 asp 18 s. 2\(6\)](#)