STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1995 No. 71

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1995

PART I

INTRODUCTION

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation for the purposes of—

(a) Articles 1 and 2 on 1st April 1995;

(b) Article 10 on 2nd April 1995;

(c) Article 9 on 6th April 1995;

(d) Articles 3 to 6, 8 and 11 to 13 on 10th April 1995;

(e) Articles 16, 17 and 22 on 11th April 1995;

(f) Article 7 on 12th April 1995;

(g) Articles 14, 15 and 23 on 13th April 1995 immediately after the coming into operation of, respectively, the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994(**1**) and the Social Security (Incapacity Benefit) (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995(**2**);

(h) Articles 18 to 20, in so far as they relate to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 1995, and for the purposes of this sub-paragraph and sub-paragraph (i) below "benefit week" has the same meaning as in the Income Support Regulations;

(i) Article 21(c)(ii), in so far as the sums specified are relevant for the purposes of paragraph 9(2)(a) of Schedule 3 to the Income Support Regulations, on the first day of the benefit week to commence for the beneficiary on or after 10th April 1995; and

(j) except in a case to which sub-paragraph (i) above applies, Article 21 , in relation to a case where rent is payable at intervals of a week or any multiple thereof, on 3rd April 1995, and in relation to any other case, on 1st April 1995.

(2) The increases made by this Order in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Contributions and Benefits Act or the Pension Schemes Act shall take effect for each case on the date specified in relation to that case in Article 6 of this Order.

(**1**) S.R. 1994 No. 461
(**2**) S.R. 1995 No. 35

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Contributions and Benefits Act" means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**3**);

"the Pension Schemes Act" means the Pension Schemes (Northern Ireland) Act 1993(**4**);

"the Income Support Regulations" means the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987(**5**).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1978(**6**) shall apply to this Order as it applies to an Act of the United Kingdom Parliament.

(**3**) 1992 c. 7
(**4**) 1993 c. 49
(**5**) S.R. 1987 No. 459; relevant amending provisions are S.R. 1988 Nos. 146. 274, 318 and 431, S.R. 1989 Nos. 139 and 249, S.R. 1990 Nos. 131, 213 and 346, S.R. 1991 Nos. 46 and 338, S.R. 1992 Nos. 6 and 85, S.R. 1993 Nos. 149 and 373 and S.R. 1994 Nos. 74 and 77
(**6**) 1978 c. 30