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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1983 No. 408**

**FRIENDLY SOCIETIES**

**The Friendly Societies (Sickness Payments) Regulations 1983**

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| <i>Made</i>                   | - - - - | <i>15th March 1983</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> |         | <i>16th March 1983</i> |
| <i>Coming into Operation</i>  |         | <i>23rd March 1983</i> |

Whereas regulation 2 of the Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1983 made on 14th March 1983 by the Secretary of State for Social Services under (inter alia) paragraph 9(1) of Schedule 1 to the Social Security Act 1975(1) will have the effect in some cases of requiring a registered friendly society within the meaning of the Friendly Societies Act 1974 to make amendments to its rules in relation to the manner in which sickness payments treated as remuneration are to be made:

The Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by paragraph 9(2) of that Schedule and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Friendly Societies (Sickness Payments) Regulations 1983 and shall come into effect on 23rd March 1983.

- (a) (a) “Registered friendly society” in these Regulations has the same meaning as in the Friendly Societies Act 1974;and
- (b) “the Contributions Regulations” in these Regulations means the Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1983.

3. Where the effect of regulation 2 of the Contributions Regulations is to require a registered friendly society to amend its rules in relation to the manner in which sickness payments are to be made, the society may amend its rules to the extent so required by resolution of its committee of management, passed not later than 6th July 1983.

4. Any such amendment shall take effect on the date on which the Contributions Regulations come into operation or on the day following the date on which the amending resolution is passed, whichever is the later, and shall thereupon be valid notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the rules of the society or in the Friendly Societies Act 1974. Written notice of any such amendment shall be sent by the Secretary of the society to the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies for registration within fourteen days of the coming into effect of the Amendment. The Chief Registrar shall issue

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(1) paragraph 9 of Schedule 1 was inserted by the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982 (c.24), section 37.

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to the society, in respect of that amendment, an acknowledgment of registration which shall be conclusive evidence that the amendment is duly registered.

15th March 1983

*J. M. Bridgeman*  
Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

Regulation 2 of the Social Security (Contributions) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 1983 has the effect of requiring friendly societies to make any sickness benefit payment which is treated as remuneration derived from an employed earner's employment through a member's employer, instead of to the member in person as the rules of a registered friendly society normally provide. In order to comply with the requirements of those Regulations societies may need to amend their rules governing the manner of benefit payments made after 6th April 1983, when those Regulations come into effect.

These Regulations enable a registered friendly society, before 6th July 1983, to make the required changes in its rules by resolution of its committee rather than, as would normally be required, by a resolution of the society passed at a general meeting of which due notice had been given.