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# 1999 No. 264

# The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1999

## PART I

## INTRODUCTION

### Citation and commencement

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 1999.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this article, this Order shall come into force for the purposes of—

(a) articles 1, 2, 6, 22 and 27, on 1st April 1999;

(b) article 8, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 1st April 1999, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "benefit week" has the same meaning as in the Computation of Earnings Regulations;

(c) articles 3 to 5, 7, 11, 12 and 13, on 12th April 1999;

(d) article 9, on 6th April 1999;

(e) article 10, on 4th April 1999;

(f) articles 14 and 15, on 15th April 1999;

(g) articles 16, 17 and 26, on 13th April 1999;

(h) articles 18, 19 and 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 12th April 1999, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "benefit week" has the same meaning as in the Income Support Regulations;

(i) article 21, in relation to a case where rent is payable at intervals of a week or any multiple thereof, on 5th April 1999, and in relation to any other case, on 1st April 1999;

(j) articles 23, 24 and 25, 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 12th April 1999, and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, "benefit week" has the same meaning as in the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations.

(3) The increases made—

(a) in the sums specified for rates or amounts of benefit under the Contributions and Benefits Act or the Pension Schemes Act; and

(b) by article 23(c) of this Order in so far as it is relevant for the purposes referred to in article 6(11) of this Order,

shall take effect for each case on the date specified in relation to that case in article 6 of this Order.

### Interpretation

**2.** In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Computation of Earnings Regulations" means the Social Security Benefit (Computation of Earnings) Regulations 1996(**1**);

"the Contributions and Benefits Act" means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(**2**);

"the Council Tax Benefit Regulations" means the Council Tax Benefit (General) Regulations 1992(**3**);

"the Disability Working Allowance Regulations" means the Disability Working Allowance (General) Regulations 1991(**4**);

"the Family Credit Regulations" means the Family Credit (General) Regulations 1987(**5**);

"the Housing Benefit Regulations" means the Housing Benefit (General) Regulations 1987(**6**);

"the Income Support Regulations" means the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(**7**);

"the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations" means the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996(**8**); and

"the Pension Schemes Act" means the Pension Schemes Act 1993(**9**).

(**1**) S.I.1996/2745.
(**2**) 1992 c. 4.
(**3**) S.I. 1992/1814; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1993/688 and 2118, 1994/1924, 1996/462, 1510, 1803, 2518 and 2545, 1998/470, 766 and 1541.
(**4**) S.I. 1991/2887; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1992/2155, 1993/2119, 1995/482 and 1339, 1996/2545 and 1998/470.
(**5**) S.I. 1987/1973; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/660, 1992/2155, 1993/2119, 1995/1339, 1996/2545 and 1998/470.
(**6**) S.I. 1987/1971; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/1444, 1989/416 and 1017, 1990/546 and 1775, 1991/1599, 1992/50 and 1326, 1993/2118, 1994/578, 1996/462, 1803, 2518 and 2545, 1997/1790 and 1998/470, 766 and 1541.
(**7**) S.I. 1987/1967; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1988/663, 910, 999, 1228, 1445 and 2022, 1989/534, 1034 and 1678, 1990/547, 1776 and 2324, 1992/50, 1326 and 3147, 1993/2119, 1994/527, 1995/516, 1613, 2287 and 2927, 1996/206, 1803, 2518, 2545 and 2431, 1997/2197 and 2604 and 1998/470.
(**8**) S.I. 1996/207; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1996/1516, 1517, 1803, 2518, 2538 and 2545 and 1998/470.
(**9**) 1993 c. 48.