



2008 CHAPTER 10

PART 2

CHILD SUPPORT ETC.

Debt management powers

Power to treat liability as satisfied

22 After Article 38B of the Child Support Order insert—

“Power to treat liability as satisfied

38C.—(1) The Department may by regulations—

- (a) make provision enabling the Department in prescribed circumstances to set off liabilities to pay child support maintenance to which this Article applies;
- (b) make provision enabling the Department in prescribed circumstances to set off against a person's liability to pay child support maintenance to which this Article applies a payment made by the person which is of a prescribed description.

(2) Liability to pay child support maintenance shall be treated as satisfied to the extent that it is the subject of setting off under regulations under paragraph (1).

(3) In paragraph (1), the references to child support maintenance to which this Article applies are to child support maintenance for the collection of which the Department is authorised to make arrangements.”.

Changes to legislation: *Child Maintenance Act (Northern Ireland) 2008, Section 22 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 01 October 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes*

Commencement Information

- II** S. 22 wholly in operation at 25.1.2010; s. 22 not in operation at Royal Assent see s. 41(1); s. 22 in operation for certain purposes at 26.11.2009 and wholly in operation at 25.1.2010 by S.R. 2009/380, **art. 2(1)**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SR 2012/440 art. 3 by [S.R. 2014/194 art. 4](#)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SR 2013/201 art. 3 by [S.R. 2014/194 art. 5](#)

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):

- Sch. 2 para. 3(3) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 126\(2\)](#)