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**FAMILY INCOME SUPPLEMENTS****The Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 1977***Made* . . . . . 25th March 1977*Coming into operation**Regulations 1, 2, 4 and 5* . . . . . 5th April 1977*Regulation 3* . . . . . 19th July 1977

The Department(a) of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 2(1), 3(1) and 3(1A) of the Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971(b) (as substituted by paragraphs 5 and 6 of Schedule 4 to the Child Benefit (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(c)), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1977 and shall come into operation in the case of regulations 1, 2, 4 and 5 on 5th April 1977 and in the case of regulation 3 on 19th July 1977.

(2) In these regulations—

“the Act” means the Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971;

“benefit” means a family income supplement under the Act.

*Prescribed amount from 5th April to 18th July 1977*

2. In respect of the period from and including 5th April 1977 to 18th July 1977 the prescribed amount for any family for the purposes of section 2 of the Act shall be—

(a) if the family includes only one child, £39.00; and

(b) if the family includes more than one child, £39.00 plus £3.50 for each child additional to the first.

*Prescribed amount from 19th July 1977*

3. In respect of any period from and including 19th July 1977 the prescribed amount for any family for the purposes of section 2 of the Act shall be—

(a) if the family includes only one child, £41.50; and

(b) if the family includes more than one child, £41.50 plus £3.50 for each child additional to the first.

(a) Formerly Ministry: see 1973 c. 36 Sch. 5 para. 8(1)

(b) 1971 c. 8 (N.I.)

(c) S.I. 1975/1504 (N.I. 16)

*Maximum amount of benefit*

4. The weekly rate of benefit shall not exceed—

(a) if the family includes only one child, £8.50; and

(b) if the family includes more than one child, £8.50 plus £0.50 for each child additional to the first.

*Revocation of regulations*

5.—(1) The Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975(d) and the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(e) are hereby revoked.

(2) Without prejudice to section 28(2) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(f) (effect of repeal), nothing in paragraph (1) shall be taken as affecting the application of the regulations revoked by the said paragraph (1) in relation to any period for which benefit is payable falling before 5th April 1977.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 25th March 1977.

(L.S.)

W. Bell

Assistant Secretary

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These regulations specify the prescribed amount for any family and the weekly rate of benefit under the Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971 in accordance with the amendments made to the 1971 Act by the Child Benefit (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 which require that the prescribed amount and the weekly rate of benefit which had been included in sections 2 and 3 of the 1971 Act should be specified in regulations.

Regulation 1 relates to the citation, commencement and interpretation of the regulations; regulation 2 specifies the prescribed amount from 5th April 1977 up to and including 18th July 1977; regulation 3 specifies the prescribed amount from 19th July 1977 increasing it by £2.50 for all families; regulation 4 specifies the maximum weekly amount of benefit; and regulation 5 revokes previous regulations.

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(d) S.R. 1975 No. 150 (I, p. 880)

(e) S.R. 1976 No. 164

(f) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)