

1983 No. 431

## STATUTORY SICK PAY

## The Statutory Sick Pay Up-rating (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1983

Made . . . . . 30th December 1983

Coming into operation . . . . . 6th April 1984

Whereas the Secretary of State for Social Services has made an order(a) under section 7 of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982(b):

Now, therefore, the Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 9(3) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982(c) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

*Citation and commencement*

1. This order may be cited as the Statutory Sick Pay Up-rating (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 6th April 1984.

*Increase of specified sums*

2.—(1) The sums specified in Article 9(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982(d) (relationship between rates of payment of statutory sick pay and employees' normal weekly earnings) shall be increased in accordance with the provisions of this Article with effect from 6th April 1984.

(2) The sums specified in Article 9(1)(a) shall be increased from £40·25 and £65 to £42·25 and £68 respectively.

(3) The sums specified in Article 9(1)(b) shall be increased from £33·75, £65 and £48·50 to £35·45, £68 and £50·50 respectively.

(4) The sum specified in Article 9(1)(c) shall be increased from £27·20 to £28·55.

*Transitional provision*

3. Where a period of entitlement as between an employer and an employee is running at the date on which this order comes into operation—

(a) in a case where the employee's normal weekly earnings under his contract of service with that employer are not less than £65 they shall be treated as not less than £68 for the remainder of that period;

(b) in a case where the employee's normal weekly earnings under his contract of service with that employer are less than £65 but not less than £48·50 they shall be treated as less than £68 but not less than £50·50 for the remainder of that period.

*Revocation*

4. The Statutory Sick Pay Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1983(e) is hereby revoked.

(a) S.I. 1983/1947

(b) 1982 c. 24

(c) S.I. 1982/1084 (N.I. 16)

(d) The sums specified in Article 9(1), as enacted, were increased by the Statutory Sick Pay Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1983 (S.R. 1983 No. 15)

(e) S.R. 1983 No. 15

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 30th December 1983.

(L.S.)

A. N. Burns

Assistant Secretary

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This order corresponds to an order (S.I. 1983/1947) made by the Secretary of State for Social Services under section 7 of the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act 1982.

It makes further increases in the sums specified in Article 9(1) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982 so that with effect from 6th April 1984 statutory sick pay payable by an employer will be at the weekly rate of £42.25 where the employee's normal weekly earnings under his contract of service with that employer are not less than £68, at the weekly rate of £35.45 where those earnings are less than £68 but not less than £50.50, or at the weekly rate of £28.55 in any other case. The order contains a transitional provision for cases where a period of entitlement to statutory sick pay is running when the order comes into operation.