STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 124

Optical Charges and Payments (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Optical Charges and Payments (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1996.
- (2) In these regulations, "the principal regulations" means the Optical Charges and Payments Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1989(1).

Amendment of regulation 2 of the principal regulations

- **2.** In regulation 2 of the principal regulations (charges for optical appliances supplied by a Board or an HSS trust)—
 - (a) in paragraph (3) for "£38.60" there shall be substituted "£39.00";
 - (b) in paragraph (5)(b) for "£47·30" and "£76·90" in both places where they occur there shall be substituted "£47·80" and "£77·80" respectively.

Amendment of regulation 20 of the principal regulations

- **3.** In regulation 20 of the principal regulations (redemption value of voucher for replacement or repair)—
 - (a) in paragraph (1)(b) for "£38.60" there shall be substituted "£39.00"; and
 - (b) in paragraph (3) for "£9.90" there shall be substituted "£10.00".

Amendment of Schedules to the principal regulations

4.—(1) In Schedule 1 to the principal regulations (voucher letter codes and face values — supply and replacement)(2) in column 3 (face value of voucher) for each amount specified in column 1 of the Table below (old amount) there shall be substituted the amount specified in relation to it in column 2 of that Table (new amount).

TABLE

Column 1	Column 2
Old amount	New amount
£26·40	£26·70
£40·10	£40.50

⁽¹⁾ S.R. 1989 No. 114 as amended by S.R. 1990 No. 99, S.R. 1991 Nos. 115 and 332, S.R. 1992 Nos. 155 and 242, S.R. 1993 No. 141, S.R. 1994 No. 100, and S.R. 1995 No. 114

⁽²⁾ Schedule 1 was substituted by regulation 4 of S.R. 1992 No. 155 and subsequently amended by S.R. 1993 No. 141, S.R. 1994 No. 100, and S.R. 1995 No. 114

Column 1	Column 2
Old amount	New amount
£54·70	£55·20
£107·30	£108·40
£45·50	£46·00
£57·90	£58·50
£69·80	£70·50
£118.00 (in both places where it appears)	£119·20
£38.60	£39·00

- (2) In Schedule 2 to the principal regulations (prisms, tints, photochromic lenses, small and special glasses and complex appliances)—
 - (a) in paragraph 1(1)(a) (prism single vision lens) for "£5·10" there shall be substituted "£5·20";
 - (b) in paragraph 1(1)(b) (prism other lens) for "£6·30" there shall be substituted "£6·40";
 - (c) in paragraph 1(1)(c) (single vision tinted lens) for "£2·60" there shall be substituted "£2·70";
 - (d) in paragraph 1(1)(d) (other tinted lens) for "£3·10" there shall be substituted "£3·20";
 - (e) in paragraph 1(1)(e)(3) (small glasses)—
 - (i) in sub-head (i) for "£43.50" there shall be substituted "£43.90",
 - (ii) in sub-head (ii) for "£38.60" there shall be substituted "£39.00", and
 - (iii) in sub-head (iii) for "£20.90" there shall be substituted "£21.10";
 - (f) in paragraph 1(1)(f) (photochromic lenses) for "£2·60" there shall be substituted "£2·70" and for "£3·10" there shall be substituted "£3·20";
 - (g) in paragraph 1(1)(g) (specially manufactured frames) for "£43·50" there shall be substituted "£43·90";
 - (h) in paragraph 2(a) (minimum complex appliance payment single vision lenses) for "£4·30" there shall be substituted "£4·40"; and
 - (i) in paragraph 2(b) (minimum complex appliance payment other cases) for "£23·40" there shall be substituted "£23·60".
- (3) For Schedule 3 to the principal regulations (voucher values repair)(4) there shall be substituted the Schedule 3 set out in the Schedule.

Application of regulations

- **5.** The amendments made by regulations 3 and 4 and the Schedule apply only in relation to a voucher—
 - (a) accepted or used on or after 1st April 1996 pursuant to regulation 12 or regulation 18 of the principal regulations; or
 - (b) sent to the Agency pursuant to regulation 14(2)(c) of the principal regulations in respect of cost incurred on or after that date.

⁽³⁾ Paragraph 1(1)(e) was substituted by regulation 3(3)(e) of S.R. 1990 No. 99

⁽⁴⁾ Schedule 3 was last substituted by regulation 4(3) of S.R. 1995 No. 114

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Joan Dixon Assistant Secretary

The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Regulations. Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on

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J. G. Sullivan Assistant Secretary