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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1996 No. 621**

**The Occupational Pension Schemes (Winding Up) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

*Modifications Affecting Certain Schemes*

**Hybrid schemes**

**13.**—(1) In relation to any scheme—

- (a) which is not a money purchase scheme; but
- (b) where some of the benefits that may be provided are relevant money purchase benefits, Article 73 applies as if —
  - (i) the liabilities of the scheme did not include the liabilities in respect of those benefits; and
  - (ii) the assets of the scheme did not include the assets by reference to which the rate or amount of those benefits is calculated.

(2) In paragraph (1) “relevant money purchase benefits” means money purchase benefits other than—

- (a) benefits derived from the payment by any member of voluntary contributions; or
- (b) underpin benefits.

(3) In this regulation “underpin benefits” means money purchase benefits which under the provisions of the scheme will only be provided in respect of a member if their value exceeds the value of the other benefits in respect of him under the scheme which are not money purchase benefits.

(4) Where a scheme which is not a money purchase scheme may provide underpin benefits, the amount of the liability for those benefits shall be calculated in accordance with regulation 4 (but omitting paragraphs (1)(c) and (3) to (5) of that regulation).

(5) If in the case of a scheme to which paragraph (1) applies—

- (a) the aggregate value of the assets of the scheme has been reduced; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds for believing that the reduction is attributable to an act or omission constituting an offence prescribed for the purposes of Article 79(1)(c),

then, for the purposes of Article 73 as it applies by virtue of paragraph (1), the values of the assets excluded by paragraph (1)(ii) and of the other assets shall be taken to be equal to their values apart from the reduction, less in the case of each asset so much of the reduction as its value bears to the aggregate value of the assets of the scheme apart from the reduction.

(6) This regulation does not affect Article 73 as it applies for the purposes of the MFR Regulations and the guidance in GN 27 (as that guidance applies for the purposes of those Regulations).

(7) In paragraph (6) “GN 27” means the guidelines on minimum funding requirement (GN 27), prepared and published by the Institute of Actuaries and the Faculty of Actuaries<sup>(1)</sup> and approved for the purposes of the MFR Regulations by the Department.

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(1) Copies of GN 27 may be obtained from the Faculty of Actuaries, 17 Thistle Street, Edinburgh EH2 1DF

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