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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1999 No. 246**

**The Social Security (1998 Order) (Commencement  
No. 6 and Consequential and Transitional  
Provisions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1999**

**TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND REVOCATIONS**

**Late application for a revision**

**24.—**(1) The period of one month specified in Article 23(6)(a)(i) or (13)(i) may be extended where the requirements specified in the following provisions of this Article are satisfied.

(2) An application for an extension of time shall—

- (a) be made before 1st July 2000 by a relevant person or a person acting on his behalf; and
- (b) contain—
  - (i) particulars of the grounds on which the extension of time is sought, and
  - (ii) sufficient details of the decision which it is sought to have revised to enable that decision to be identified.

(3) An application for an extension of time shall not be granted unless the person making the application or any person acting for him satisfies the Department that—

- (a) it is reasonable to grant the application;
- (b) the application for a decision to be revised has merit; and
- (c) special circumstances are relevant to the application for an extension of time,

and as a result of those special circumstances, it was not practicable for the application for a decision to be revised to be made within one month of the date of notification of the decision which it is sought to have revised.

(4) In determining whether it is reasonable to grant an application for an extension of time, no account shall be taken of the following—

- (a) that the person making the application for an extension of time or any person acting for him was unaware of or misunderstood the law applicable to his case (including ignorance or misunderstanding of the time limits imposed by Article 23(6)(a)(i) or (13)(i)); or
- (b) that a Child Support Commissioner or a court has taken a different view of the law from that previously understood and applied.

(5) An application under this Article for an extension of time which has been refused may not be renewed.

(6) In this Article “Child Support Commissioner” includes a Child Support Commissioner appointed under section 22 of the Child Support Act 1991(1).

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