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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2003 No. 155**

**The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 2003**

**PART IV**

**JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE**

**Age-related amounts of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance**

**21.** In regulation 79(1) of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (weekly amounts of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance)–

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) for “£32·50” there shall be substituted “£32·90”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) for “£42·70” there shall be substituted “£43·25”; and
- (c) in sub-paragraph (c) for “£53·95” there shall be substituted “£54·65”.

**Applicable amounts for jobseeker's allowance**

**22.**—(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations shall be the sums set out in the following provisions of this Article and Schedules 8 to 13 to this Order; and for this purpose a reference in this Article to a numbered regulation or Schedule is a reference to the regulation of, or Schedule to, the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In regulations 83(b), 84(1)(c), 85(1) and 148(1)(a)(ii), (c)(ii) and (d)(i) and paragraphs 15A(2)(a)(1) and 16(a) of Part III of Schedule 1 the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in Part I of Schedule 1 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 8 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 4 of Part II of Schedule 1(2) (applicable amounts: family premium)–

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) the sum of £15·90 remains the same; and
- (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£14·75” there shall be substituted “£15·75”.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 1 (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 9 to this Order.

(6) The sums specified in Part IVB of Schedule 1(3) (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums for joint-claim couples) shall be as set out in Schedule 10 to this Order.

(7) In paragraph 17 of Schedule 2(4) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)–

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1) the sums of £47·75 and £7·40 remain the same;

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(1) Paragraph 15A was inserted by regulation 4(c)(ii) of *S.R. 2000 No. 367*

(2) Paragraph 4 was amended by regulation 9(4)(a) of *S.R. 1996 No. 288* and regulation 10 of *S.R. 1998 No. 112*

(3) Part IVB was inserted by paragraph 53(4) of Schedule 2 to *S.R. 2000 No. 350* and amended by regulation 4(c)(vi) of *S.R. 2000 No. 367* and regulation 2(7) of *S.R. 2001 No. 120*

(4) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) were amended by regulation 3 of *S.R. 1997 No. 3*

- (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£88·00” there shall be substituted “£92·00”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£88·00” and “£131·00” there shall be substituted “£92·00” and “£137·00” respectively and the sum of £17·00 remains the same;
  - (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£131·00” and “£170·00” there shall be substituted “£137·00” and “£177·00” respectively and the sum of £23·35 remains the same;
  - (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£170·00” and “£225·00” there shall be substituted “£177·00” and “£235·00” respectively and the sum of £38·20 remains the same; and
  - (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£225·00” and “£281·00” there shall be substituted “£235·00” and “£293·00” respectively and the sum of £43·50 remains the same.
- (8) Those sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in Schedule 4 (applicable amounts in special cases) shall be as set out Schedule 11 to this Order.
- (9) Those sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount which are specified in Schedule 4A(5) (applicable amounts of joint-claim couples in special cases) shall be as set out in Schedule 12 to this Order.
- (10) In paragraph 20(b) of Schedule 6 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) for “£9·40” there shall be substituted “£9·65”.
- (11) The sums specified in any provision of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 13 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

#### **Prescribed sum for jobseeker’s allowance**

**23.** In regulation 170 of the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations (trade disputes: prescribed sum) for “£29·00” there shall be substituted “£29·50”.