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Optical Charges and Payments and General Ophthalmic Services (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

PART II

AMENDMENTS OF OPHTHALMIC REGULATIONS

Amendment of regulation 15 of the Ophthalmic Regulations

9.—(1) Regulation 15 of the Ophthalmic Regulations (sight tests – eligibility)(1) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (2) –

(a) at the end there is added –

“(k) he is a member of a family that has –

(i) one member of which is receiving –

(aa) working tax credit and child tax credit,

(bb) working tax credit which includes a disability element; or

(cc) child tax credit, but who is not eligible for working tax credit.”; and

(ii) where the relevant income of the person or persons to whom the tax credit is made under section 14 of the Tax Credits Act 2002 is determined at the time of the award not to exceed £14,200; or

(l) he is a person, or is a member of a family, in respect of whom there is a current notice of entitlement.”; and

(b) sub-paragraphs (c), (d), (g) and (h) are omitted.

(3) For paragraph (3) there is substituted –

“(3) In paragraph (2) –

(a) in sub-paragraphs (b) and (f), “family” has the meaning assigned to it by section 133(1) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(2) as it applies to income support;

(b) in sub-paragraph (j), “family” has the meaning assigned to it by Article 2(2) of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(3); and

(c) in sub-paragraph (l), “family” has the meaning assigned to it by regulation 2(2) of the Tax Credits (Definition and Calculation of Income) Regulations 2002(4).”.

(1) Regulation 15 was substituted by [S.R. 1989 No. 113](#) and amended by [S.R. 1995 No. 115](#), [S.R. 1996 No. 416](#), [S.R. 1999 Nos. 112 and 394](#), [S.R. 2001 No. 339](#) and [S.R. 2002 No. 85](#)

(2) [1992 c. 7](#)

(3) [S.I. 1995/2705 \(N.I. 15\)](#)

(4) [S.I. 2002/2006](#)

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