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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2010 No. 201**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges  
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010**

*Made - - - -*

*9th June 2010*

*Coming into operation*

*1st July 2010*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 45, 98, 106, and 107(6) of, and paragraphs 1(b) and 1B of Schedule 15 to, the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972<sup>(2)</sup>, and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel insofar as they relate to the remission of charges, and in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Personnel insofar as they relate to travelling expenses.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010.

**Amendment of Schedule 1 to the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004**

2.—(1) The Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004<sup>(3)</sup> are amended in accordance with paragraph (2).

(2) Column 2 of Table A in Schedule 1 (Modifications of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987), is amended as follows—

- (a) in the modification of regulation 45 (Capital limit) of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987, for “£23,000” substitute “£23,250”; and
- (b) in the modification of regulation 53 (Calculation of tariff income from capital) of those Regulations—
  - (i) for “£14,000” substitute “£14,250”, and

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(1) See [S.I. 1999/283 \(N.I. 1\)](#) Article 3(6)

(2) [S.I. 1972/1265 \(N.I. 14\)](#); relevant amending Instruments are [S.I. 1988/594 \(N.I. 2\)](#) Article 14 and [S.I. 1991/194 \(N.I. 1\)](#) Article 34 and Part II of Schedule 5 and [S.R. 1991 No. 11](#)

(3) [S.R. 2004 No. 91](#); relevant amending Regulations are [S.R. 2004 Nos. 156 and 162](#), [S.R. 2005 Nos. 107 and 386](#), [S.R. 2006 Nos. 136, 190 and 333](#), [S.R. 2007 Nos. 264 and 437](#), [S.R. 2008 Nos. 39, 292 and 391](#) and [S.R. 2009 Nos. 52, 151 and 329](#)

(ii) for “£23,000” substitute “£23,250”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010



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Department of Health, Social Services and  
Public Safety

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel insofar as the foregoing Regulations relate to travelling expenses on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010



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The Department of Finance and Personnel hereby approves the foregoing Regulations insofar as they relate to the remission of charges.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Finance and Personnel on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010



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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations further amend the Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 (“the principal Regulations”), which provide for remission and payment of certain charges which would otherwise be payable under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 and for payment by the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety of travelling expenses incurred in attending a hospital for, amongst others, persons on low incomes, by reference to limits on their income and capital (“the low income scheme”).

In calculating a person’s resources and requirements under the principal Regulations in order to establish whether a person can claim entitlement to remission of Health Service charges and the payment of Health Services travelling expenses, a modified version of the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 is used, as set out in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations.

Regulation 2 amends the modifications in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations to increase the low income scheme capital limits for people living permanently in residential care homes or nursing homes.