STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No. 184

The Social Security (Members of the Reserve Forces) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

Amendment of the Employment and Support Allowance Regulations

- **4.**—(1) The Employment and Support Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008(1) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (5).
- (2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation) after the definition of "the first contribution condition" insert—
 - ""first year of training" means a period of one year beginning with and including a person's first day of training.".
- (3) In regulation 43(1)(e)(iv) (circumstances under which partners of claimants entitled to an income-related allowance are not to be treated as engaged in remunerative work) omit "territorial or".
- (4) In regulation 91 (calculation of earnings derived from employed earner's employment and income other than earnings) for paragraph (3A)(2) substitute—
 - "(3A) Earnings derived by a claimant's partner as a member of a reserve force prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 6 to the Contributions Regulations in respect of a period of annual continuous training for a maximum of 15 days in any calendar year or in respect of training in the claimant's partner's first year of training as a member of a reserve force for a maximum of 43 days in that year, whether paid to the claimant's partner alone or together with other earnings derived from the same source, are to be taken into account—
 - (a) in the case of a period of training which lasts for the number of days listed in column 1 of the Table, over a period of time which is equal to the number of days set out in the corresponding row in column 2 of that Table; or
 - (b) in any other case, over a period which is equal to the duration of the training period.

Table

Column 1	Column 2
Period of training in days	Period of time over which earnings are to be taken into account in days
8 to 10	7
15 to 17	14
22 to 24	21

⁽¹⁾ S.R. 2008 No. 280; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2012 No. 377

⁽²⁾ Paragraph (3A) was inserted by regulation 4(2) of S.R. 2012 No. 377

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Period of training in days	Period of time over which earnings are to be taken into account in days
29 to 31	28
36 to 38	35
43	42"

- (5) In Schedule 7 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings)—
 - (a) in paragraph 11A(2)(3)—
 - (i) omit "territorial or", and
 - (ii) after "in any calendar year" add—

"or in respect of training in the claimant's partner's first year of training as a member of a reserve force for a maximum of 43 days in that year"; and

(b) in paragraph 12(a) omit "territorial or".