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The Shared Parental Leave Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

PART 5

TAKING SHARED PARENTAL LEAVE

Right to return after shared parental leave: supplementary

- **41.**—(1) For the purposes of regulation 40 a job is—
 - (a) the nature of the work which the employee is employed to do under the contract of employment; and
 - (b) the capacity and place the employee was employed in before the absence.
- (2) References in regulation 40 to the job in which the employee was employed before the absence are references to the job in which the employee was employed—
 - (a) if the return is from an isolated period of shared parental leave, immediately before that period, or
 - (b) if the return is from consecutive periods of leave provided for in Part 9 of the 1996 Order, immediately before the first such period.
 - (3) The right to return under regulation 40 is a right to return—
 - (a) with the employee's seniority, pension rights and similar rights as they would have been if there had been no absence, and
 - (b) on terms and conditions not less favourable than those which would have applied if there had been no absence.
- (4) In the case of accrual of rights under an employment-related benefit scheme within the meaning given by paragraph 7 of Schedule 5 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, nothing in paragraph (3)(a) imposes a requirement which exceeds the requirements of paragraphs 5A to 6 of that Schedule(1).

⁽¹⁾ Paragraph 5A was inserted by the Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/255 (N.I. 1)), Article 242(1), and amended by S.I. 2006/1947 (N.I. 16)), Schedule 1, paragraph 1. Paragraph 5B was inserted by S.I. 2005/255 (N.I. 1), section 242(1).