
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

PART 6

AMOUNTS OF JOBSEEKER'S ALLOWANCE

Weekly amounts of jobseeker's allowance

49.—(1) In the case of a jobseeker's allowance, the age-related amount applicable to a claimant for the purposes of Article 6(1)(a) of the Order is—

- (a) in the case of a person who has not attained the age of 25, £57.90 per week;
- (b) in the case of a person who has attained the age of 25, £73.10 per week.

(2) Where the amount of any jobseeker's allowance would, but for this paragraph, include a fraction of one penny, that fraction is to be treated as one penny.

Deductions in respect of earnings

50. The deduction in respect of earnings which falls to be made in accordance with Article 6(1)(b) of the Order⁽¹⁾ is an amount equal to the weekly amount of the claimant's earnings calculated in accordance with Part 7 (earnings).

Payment by way of pensions

51.—(1) The deduction in respect of pension payments, PPF payments or FAS payments which fall to be made in accordance with Article 6(1)(b) of the Order is a sum equal to the amount by which that payment exceeds or, as the case may be, the aggregate of those payments exceed £50 per week.

(2) Where pension payments, PPF payments or FAS payments first begin to be made to a person for a period starting other than on the first day of a benefit week, the deduction referred to in paragraph (1) has effect from the beginning of that benefit week.

(3) Where pension payments, PPF payments or FAS payments are already in payment to a person and a change in rate of payment takes effect in a week other than at the beginning of the benefit week, the deduction referred to in paragraph (1) has effect from the first day of that benefit week.

(4) In determining the amount of any pension payments, PPF payments or FAS payments for the purposes of paragraphs (1) and (5) there are to be disregarded—

- (a) any payments from a personal pension scheme, an occupational pension scheme or a public service pension scheme which are payable to the claimant and which arose in accordance with the terms of such a scheme on the death of a person who was a member of the scheme in question; and
- (b) any PPF payments or FAS payments which—

(1) Article 6(1)(b) was amended by paragraph 2(3) of [S.R. 2006 No. 37](#) and paragraph 5 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 12 to the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 ([S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I. 1\)](#))

- (i) are payable to the claimant; and
- (ii) arose on the death of a person who had an entitlement to such payments.

(5) Where a pension payment, PPF payment or FAS payment, or an aggregate of such payments, as the case may be, is paid to a person for a period other than a week, such payments are to be treated as being made to that person by way of weekly pension payments, weekly PPF payments or weekly FAS payments and the weekly amount is to be determined—

- (a) where payment is made for a year, by dividing the total by 52;
- (b) where payment is made for 3 months, by dividing the total by 13;
- (c) where payment is made for a month, by multiplying the total by 12 and dividing the product by 52;
- (d) where payment is made for 2 or more months, otherwise than for a year or for 3 months, by dividing the total by the number of months, multiplying the result by 12 and dividing the product by 52; or
- (e) in any other case, by dividing the amount of the payment by the number of days in the period for which it is made and multiplying the result by 7.

Minimum amount of a jobseeker's allowance

52. Where the amount of a jobseeker's allowance is less than 10 pence a week that allowance is not payable.