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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2016 No. 310**

**The Housing Benefit (Abolition of the Family Premium and date of claim) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

**Abolition of the family premium**

3.—(1) The Housing Benefit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006<sup>(1)</sup> are amended as follows—

- (a) in regulation 20 (applicable amounts) omit paragraph (c);
- (b) in regulation 21 (polygamous marriages) omit paragraph (d);
- (c) in Schedule 4 (applicable amounts) omit Part II (family premium);
- (d) in Schedule 5 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) for paragraph 17(2)(b)(ii)(bb) substitute—

“(bb) his family includes at least one child or young person;” and

- (e) in Schedule 6 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) in paragraph 49(1)(2) for “Where a claimant’s applicable amount includes an amount by way of family premium,” substitute “Where a claimant’s family includes at least one child or young person.”

(2) The Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the age for state pension credit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006<sup>(3)</sup> are amended as follows—

- (a) in regulation 20(1) (applicable amounts) omit sub-paragraphs (c) and (d);
- (b) in Schedule 4 (applicable amounts) omit Part II (family premium);
- (c) in Schedule 5 (sums disregarded from claimant’s earnings) for paragraph 9(2)(b)(ii)(bb) substitute—

“(bb) his family includes at least one child or young person;” and

- (d) in Schedule 6 (amounts to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) in paragraph 21(1) for “Where a claimant’s applicable amount includes an amount by way of family premium,” substitute “Where a claimant’s family includes at least one child or young person.”

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<sup>(1)</sup> S.R. 2006 No. 405; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2008 No. 179 and S.R. 2011 No. 136  
<sup>(2)</sup> Paragraph 49 was substituted by regulation 3(10)(c) of S.R. 2008 No. 179  
<sup>(3)</sup> S.R. 2006 No. 406.