
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2017 No. 1

HOUSING; RATES; SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Housing Benefit and State Pension Credit (Temporary
Absence) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Made - - - - 4th January 2017
Coming into operation in accordance with
regulation 1(1)*

The Department for Communities makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 122(1)(d), 129A(2), 133(2)(b) and (h) and 171(1), (3), (4) and (5) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992⁽¹⁾ and now vested in it⁽²⁾ and sections 1(5), 12(2)(a), 15(3) and (6)(b), 17(2) and 19(1) to (3) of the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002⁽³⁾.

In accordance with section 149(1) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 the Department for Social Development has referred these Regulations to the Social Security Advisory Committee⁽⁴⁾.

The Social Security Advisory Committee have agreed that the proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it⁽⁵⁾.

Regulations 2 and 3 are made with the consent of the Department of Finance⁽⁶⁾.

(1) 1992 c. 7; section 171(1) was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)
(2) See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481 and section 1(7) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c.5 (N.I.))
(3) 2002 c. 14 (N.I.)
(4) 1992 c. 8; section 149(1) was amended by section 89(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (c. 47)
(5) See section 150(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992
(6) See section 171(6A) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 as inserted by Article 3(3) of the Social Security (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 (S.I. 1993/1579 (N.I. 8)); see also Article 6(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481