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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2018 No. 92**

**The Universal Credit (Persons Required to Provide Information, Miscellaneous Amendments and Saving and Transitional Provision) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

**Amendment to the Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance and Employment and Support Allowance (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

**8.**—(1) The Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance and Employment and Support Allowance (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016<sup>(1)</sup> are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) After regulation 33(3) (procedure for making an application for a supersession) add—

“(4) In relation to an applicant who is supplying information or evidence of a change of circumstances which is advantageous to the applicant in relation to an award of universal credit, paragraph (3)(b) has effect as if for “one month” there were substituted “14 days”.”.

(3) In Schedule 1 (effective dates for superseding decisions made on the ground of a change of circumstances)—

(a) for paragraph 32 substitute—

“**32.** Where the change of circumstances is that there has been a change in the legislation, the superseding decision takes effect—

(a) in relation to an award of universal credit that exists on the date on which the change in legislation comes into force—

(i) if there is an assessment period for the award that begins on the date on which that change in legislation has effect, from that date; or

(ii) in any other case, from the first day of the next assessment period for the award beginning after the date on which that change had effect;

(b) in any other case, from the date on which that change in the legislation had effect.”; and

(b) for paragraph 33 substitute—

“**33.** Where the change of circumstances is the expected coming into force of a change in the legislation, the superseding decision takes effect—

(a) in relation to an award of universal credit that exists on the date on which the change in legislation comes into force—

(i) if there is an assessment period for the award that begins on the date on which that change in legislation has effect, from that date; or

(ii) in any other case, from the first day of the next assessment period for the award beginning after the date on which that change has effect;

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- (b) in any other case, from the date on which that change in the legislation has effect.”.