
DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No.

The Early Years Assistance (Best Start Grants) (Scotland) Regulations 2018

PART 2

Interpretation

Expressions about social security assistance

Meaning of references to specified kinds of assistance

11. References in these Regulations to a kind of assistance specified in this regulation are to the following:—

- (a) child tax credit;
- (b) housing benefit;
- (c) income-based jobseeker's allowance;
- (d) income-related employment and support allowance;
- (e) income support;
- (f) state pension credit;
- (g) working tax credit.

Meaning of references to assistance being awarded

12.—(1) An individual is not to be regarded as having been awarded a kind of assistance for a day or a period if—

- (a) the award was made in error (whether or not induced by the individual); or
- (b) the sum awarded to the individual for the day or the period is £0.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1)(b), the reference to “the sum awarded” means, in a case where a deduction has been made—

- (a) in respect of any liability the individual has to another person; or
- (b) by way of a sanction,

the sum that would have been awarded had the deduction not been made.

(3) For the avoidance of doubt, in sub-paragraph (1) “kind of assistance” includes universal credit as well as the kinds of assistance specified in regulation 11.

Meaning of “assessment period” in relation to universal credit

13. “Assessment period” means a period in respect of which universal credit may be payable to the individual in question in accordance with section 7 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012⁽¹⁾.

⁽¹⁾ 2012 c.5.