#### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2014 No. 217

# The Teachers' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2014

## **PART 11**

## Miscellaneous and supplemental

### **Guaranteed minimum pension**

- **213.**—(1) The weekly rate of any relevant pension payable to a person who has a guaranteed minimum P and who reaches GMP age must not be less than the person's guaranteed minimum under sections 14 to 16 of PSA 1993(1).
- (2) Where no relevant pension becomes payable to P within 5 years and P reaches GMP age, a guaranteed minimum pension, the weekly rate of which is P's guaranteed minimum under sections 14 to 16 of PSA 1993, is payable to P.
  - (3) Paragraph (2) does not apply—
    - (a) while P consents to the application of that paragraph being postponed;
    - (b) from the date on which a relevant pension becomes payable; or
    - (c) where paragraph (4) applies.
  - (4) This paragraph applies where—
    - (a) P has a guaranteed minimum and exercises P's right to a cash equivalent;
    - (b) the pension scheme into which P's rights to benefits under these Regulations are transferred does not accept a transfer of P's accrued rights to a guaranteed minimum pension; and
    - (c) P's accrued rights to a guaranteed minimum pension are not transferred elsewhere.
- (5) Where paragraph (4) applies, a guaranteed minimum pension, the weekly rate of which is the person's guaranteed minimum under sections 14 to 16 of PSA 1993, is payable to P for life from the date on which P reaches GMP age.
- (6) Where P dies leaving a widow, widower or civil partner, the pension payable to the widow, widower or civil partner under Part 6 must be paid, for any period required by or under section 17 of PSA 1993(2), at a weekly rate which is not to be less than the widow's, widower's or civil partner's guaranteed minimum (as set out in that section).
  - (7) In this regulation—
    - "accrued rights to guaranteed minimum pension" is to be construed in accordance with section 20 of PSA 1993;
    - "contracted-out employment" has the meanings given in sections 8(1) and (1A) of PSA 1993(3);

<sup>(1)</sup> Section 14 was amended by PA 1995, Schedules 5 and 7: section 15A was inserted by WRPA 1999, section 32; section 16 was amended by PA 1995, Schedule 5 and by WRPA 1999, Schedule 2.

<sup>(2)</sup> Section 17 was amended by the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c.19).

<sup>(3)</sup> Subsection (1A) was inserted by the Pensions Act 2007, Schedule 4.

- "relevant pension" means a phased retirement pension or retirement pension which becomes payable in respect of contracted-out employment before 6th April 1997.
- (8) In this regulation, the question whether a person has a guaranteed minimum is to be determined in accordance with section 14 of PSA 1993.
- (9) This regulation overrides any inconsistent provision elsewhere in these Regulations, save that it is subject to—
  - (a) regulation 165;
  - (b) regulation 168;
  - (c) regulation 175.