

SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

**2015 No. 86**

**The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015 and come into force on 1st April 2015.

(2) In these Regulations, “the 1998 Regulations” means the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Regulations 1998(1).

**Amendment of the National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Regulations 1998**

2. The 1998 Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 7.

3.—(1) Regulation 8 (eligibility - supply of optical appliances) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (3)(q), after “credit” insert “either as a single person or as a member of a couple”.

(3) After paragraph (4)(d) insert—

“(e) in sub-paragraph (q), “single person” is to be construed in accordance with section 1(2)(a) of the Welfare Reform Act 2012(2); and

(f) in sub-paragraph (q), “couple” has the meaning given in section 39 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012(3).”.

4.—(1) Regulation 19 (redemption value of voucher for replacement or repair) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (1)(b), for “£55.80” substitute “£56.40”.

(3) In paragraph (3)(a), for “£14.40” substitute “£14.60”.

(4) In paragraph (3)(b), for “£63.00” substitute “£63.60”.

5. In Schedule 1 (voucher letter codes and face values supply and replacement) in column 3 (face value of voucher) for each amount specified in column 1 of the table below (old amount) substitute the amount specified in relation to it in column 2 (new amount).

<i>Column 1</i> <i>Old amount</i>	<i>Column 2</i> <i>New amount</i>
£38.30	£38.70

(1) S.I. 1998/642; amended by S.I. 1999/748, S.S.I. 1999/64, S.S.I. 2000/45, S.S.I. 2000/395, S.S.I. 2001/88, S.S.I. 2002/17, S.S.I. 2002/86, S.S.I. 2002/224, S.S.I. 2003/218, S.S.I. 2003/431, S.S.I. 2004/97, S.S.I. 2004/168, S.S.I. 2005/119, S.S.I. 2006/138, S.S.I. 2007/192, S.S.I. 2008/106, S.S.I. 2008/289, S.S.I. 2009/86, S.S.I. 2009/288, S.S.I. 2011/55, S.S.I. 2012/73, S.S.I. 2013/96 and S.S.I. 2014/61.

(2) 2012 c.5.

(3) Section 39 was amended by S.I. 2014/3229.

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<i>Column 1 Old amount</i>	<i>Column 2 New amount</i>
£58.10	£58.70
£85.10	£86.00
£192.20	£194.10
£66.10	£66.80
£84.00	£84.80
£109.00	£110.10
£211.30	£213.40
£196.80	£198.80
£55.80	£56.40

6. For Schedule 2 (voucher values – repair), substitute the Schedule 2 set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

7.—(1) Schedule 3 (prisms, tints, photochromic lenses, small glasses and special frames and complex appliances) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 1(1)(a) for “£12.40” substitute “£12.50”.

(3) In paragraph 1(1)(b) for “£15.00” substitute “£15.20”.

(4) In paragraph 1(1)(c) for “£4.20” substitute “£4.30”.

(5) In paragraph 1(1)(d) for “£4.70” substitute “£4.80”.

(6) In paragraph 1(1)(e)—

(a) in sub-head (i) for “£63.00” substitute “£63.60”;

(b) in sub-head (ii) for “£55.80” substitute “£56.40”;

(c) in sub-head (iii) for “£30.20” substitute “£30.50”.

(7) In paragraph 1(1)(g) for “£63.00”, “£55.80” and “£30.20” substitute “£63.60”, “£56.40” and “£30.50” respectively.

(8) In paragraph 2(a) for “£14.40” substitute “£14.50”.

(9) In paragraph 2(b) for “£36.60” substitute “£37.00”.

#### **Application of regulations 4 to 7**

8. The amendments made by regulations 4 to 7 apply only in relation to a voucher accepted pursuant to regulation 12 of the 1998 Regulations or used pursuant to regulation 17 of the 1998 Regulations after these Regulations come into force.

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