



Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

1992 CHAPTER 7

PART I

CONTRIBUTIONS

Class 4 contributions

18 Class 4 contributions recoverable under regulations.

- (1) [^{F1}The Inland Revenue may by regulations make provision] so that where—
- (a) an earner, in respect of any one or more employments of his, is treated by regulations under section 2(2)(b) above as being self-employed; and
 - (b) in any tax year he has earnings from any such employment (one or more) which fall within paragraph (b)(i) of [^{F2}subsection (8)] of section 11 above but is not liable for a higher weekly rate of Class 2 contributions by virtue of regulations under that subsection; and
 - (c) the total of those earnings exceeds [^{F3}£12,570],
- he is to be liable, in respect of those earnings, to pay a Class 4 contribution ^{F4}... .

[^{F5}(1A) The amount of a Class 4 contribution payable by virtue of regulations under this section is equal to the aggregate of—

- (a) the main Class 4 percentage of so much of the total of the earnings referred to in subsection (1)(b) above as exceeds [^{F6}£12,570] but does not exceed [^{F7}£50,270]; and
- (b) the additional Class 4 percentage of so much of that total as exceeds [^{F7}£50,270];

but the figures specified in this subsection are subject to alteration under section 129 of the Administration Act.]

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- (2) [^{F8}In relation to Class 4 contributions payable by virtue of regulations under this section], [^{F1}regulations made by the Inland Revenue may]—
- (a) apply any of the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Act (except a provision conferring power to make regulations); and
 - (b) make any such provision as may be made by regulations under that Schedule, except paragraph 6 [^{F9}or 7BZA].

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 18(1)(2) substituted (1.4.1999) by S.I. 1999/671, art. 4, Sch. 3 para. 18 (with savings and transitional provisions in Sch. 7); S.R. 1999/149, art. 2(c), Sch. 2 (subject to arts. 3-6)
- F2** Words in s. 18(1)(b) substituted (with effect for the tax year 2015-16 and subsequent tax years) by National Insurance Contributions Act 2015 (c. 5), Sch. 1 paras. 14, 35
- F3** Sum in s. 18(1)(c) substituted (6.4.2023) by National Insurance Contributions (Increase of Thresholds) Act 2022 (c. 16), s. 2(3)(4)
- F4** Words in s. 18(1) repealed (with effect for 2003-04 and subsequent tax years) by National Insurance Contributions Act 2002 (c. 19), ss. 7, 8(2), Sch. 2
- F5** S. 18(1A) inserted (with effect for 2003-04 and subsequent tax years) by National Insurance Contributions Act 2002 (c. 19), ss. 3(4), 8(2)
- F6** Sum in s. 18(1A)(a) substituted (6.4.2023) by National Insurance Contributions (Increase of Thresholds) Act 2022 (c. 16), s. 2(3)(4)
- F7** Sum in s. 18(1A) substituted (6.4.2021) by The Social Security (Contributions) (Rates, Limits and Thresholds Amendments and National Insurance Funds Payments) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/157), regs. 1, 5(2)
- F8** Words in s. 18(2) substituted (24.3.1999 for specified purposes and 1.4.1999 otherwise) by S.I. 1999/671, arts. 1(2)(b), 3(1), Sch. 1 para. 8 (with savings and transitional provisions in Sch. 7); S.R. 1999/149, art. 2(c), Sch. 2 (subject to arts. 3-6)
- F9** Words in s. 18(2)(b) inserted (1.9.2004) by National Insurance Contributions and Statutory Payments Act 2004 (c. 3), s. 13, Sch. 1 para. 2(3); S.I. 2004/1943, art. 5(a)(ii)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s.0018(1) sum substituted by [S.I. 2014/475 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) sum substituted by [S.I. 2015/588 art. 3\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2004/889 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2005/878 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2006/624 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2008/579 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2013/559 art. 4\(b\)](#)
- s. 18(1) word substituted by [S.I. 2017/415 reg. 5\(b\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act modified by [S.R. 2019/211 art. 2\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Affecting Order revoked (19.12.2020) without ever being in force by S.R. 2020/347, arts. 1(1), 2)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 167ZZ10(5) inserted by [2022 c. 5 \(N.I.\) s. 4 Sch. Pt. 2 para. 38](#)
- s. 4C(5)(i)(j) repealed by [2008 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 4 para. 41\(3\)\(c\)Sch. 6 Pt. 7](#)
- s. 5A para. 2 sum modified by [S.R. 2022/231 art. 4\(4\)](#)
- s. 11A(1)(eb) inserted by [2021 c. 26 Sch. 27 para. 14](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The existing section 11A of Act repealed by paragraph 4(2) of the Schedule to the National Insurance Contributions (Reduction in Rates) Act 2023 (c. 57))
- s. 30B(3)(b) word substituted by [S.I. 1995/3213 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 Pt. 3 para. 14\(b\)](#)
- s. 30B(4)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 9 para. 3](#)
- s. 30B(4)(aa) word repealed by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 12 Pt. 8](#)
- s. 35(1)(e) and word inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 35(3)(za) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 45(2A)(a) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 1\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 45(2A)(b) substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 1\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 46(5)(6) added by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(3\)](#)
- s. 46(5)(a) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 2](#)
- s. 47(4A) inserted by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 81\(6\)](#)
- s. 83A substituted for ss. 83, 84 by [S.I. 1995/3213 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 Pt. 2 para. 2](#)
- s. 83A(1) words substituted by [2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90\(a\)](#)
- s. 83A(2) words inserted by [2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90\(b\)](#)
- s. 83A(3) words inserted by [2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90\(b\)](#)
- s. 123(1)(ea) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 65\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 123(1)(ga) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 5\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 123(1C) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 65\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 123(6A)(6B) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 5\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 123A inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 65\(3\)](#)
- s. 123A transfer of functions by [S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 4 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 123A(2) words omitted by [S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 38](#)
- s. 123A(4)(b) words omitted by [S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 38](#)
- s. 129B-129F inserted (temp. until 31.12.2010) by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) s. 31\(1\)](#)
- s. 134(2A) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(2\)](#)
- s. 136(4)(ca) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(6\)](#)

- s. 136(4A) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 15\(7\)](#)
- s. 146(2A) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 3\(c\)](#)
- s. 160(2)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 160(9)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 167ZA(2)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 167ZA(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 167ZB(2)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 167ZB(3A) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 167ZE(2A) inserted by [2015 c. 1 \(N.I.\) s. 12\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 167ZE(2B) inserted by [2015 c. 1 \(N.I.\) s. 12\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 167ZL(2)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(6\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 167ZL(8)(za) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 167ZU(2)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 69\(2\)](#)
- s. 167ZU(4)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 69\(3\)](#)
- s. 167ZW(2)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 69\(4\)](#)
- s. 167ZW(4)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 69\(5\)](#)
- s. 167ZY(5) words repealed by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5](#)
- s. 167ZZ9(2)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 5 \(N.I.\) s. 4 Sch. Pt. 2 para. 37](#)
- s. 169A inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(7\)](#)
- s. 172(4B) inserted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 4\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 4 Pt. 1 para. 2 repealed by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8](#)
- Sch. 4 Pt. 1 para. 2A repealed by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8](#)
- Sch. 4 Pt. 4 para. 1A repealed by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8](#)
- Sch. 4 Pt. 4 para. 2 repealed by [2007 c. 2 \(N.I.\) Sch. 8](#)
- Sch. 4C inserted by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 7(2)(c) inserted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(7\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 7(3) inserted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(8\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 3 omitted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 7(2)(b) word inserted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(7\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 1 words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 2 words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 5(b) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 6 words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(5\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 7(1) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 4C para. 7(1) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 6\(6\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 000A1(4) omitted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 11 para. 2(i) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(8\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 11 para. 9 inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 68\(8\)\(b\)](#)