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# SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 1

### DISABILITY: SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISION

#### PART 1

##### DETERMINATION OF DISABILITY

###### *Long-term effects*

- 2 (1) The effect of an impairment is long-term if—
- (a) it has lasted for at least 12 months,
  - (b) it is likely to last for at least 12 months, or
  - (c) it is likely to last for the rest of the life of the person affected.
- (2) If an impairment ceases to have a substantial adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities, it is to be treated as continuing to have that effect if that effect is likely to recur.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (2), the likelihood of an effect recurring is to be disregarded in such circumstances as may be prescribed.
- (4) Regulations may prescribe circumstances in which, despite sub-paragraph (1), an effect is to be treated as being, or as not being, long-term.

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#### **Commencement Information**

- II** Sch. 1 para. 2 wholly in force at 1.10.2010; para. 2 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 216; para. 2 in force for certain purposes at 6.7.2010 by S.I. 2010/1736, art. 2, Sch.; Sch. 1 in force at 1.10.2010 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2010/2317, art. 2(1)(2)(g) (with art. 15)

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

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

- s. 40A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 1](#)
- s. 120(9) inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 2\(b\)](#)
- s. 124A inserted by [2023 c. 51 s. 3](#)