STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1974 No. 1041

SOCIAL SECURITY

The National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1974

Made - - - 17th June 1974

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Coming into Operation 24th July 1974

The Secretary of State for Social Services(a), in exercise of the powers conferred by the provisions of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Acts 1965 to 1974 set out in Schedule 1 to this instrument, and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations, which contain no provisions other than such as are made in consequence of the National Insurance Act 1974(b) and which accordingly, by virtue of section 8(4) of and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 5 to the said Act of 1974, are exempt from the requirements of section 62(2) of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 (reference to Industrial Injuries Advisory Council):—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1974 and shall come into operation on 24th July 1974.
 - (2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the principal Act" means the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965:

"the Act of 1974" means the National Insurance Act 1974;

"the Benefit Regulations" means the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Benefit) Regulations 1964(c), as amended(d);

and other expressions have the same meaning as in the principal Act.

⁽a) For transfer of functions from the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance to (eventually) the Secretary of State, see Ministry of Social Security Act 1966 (c. 20) and S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p. 4585).

⁽b) 1974 c. 14

⁽c) S.I. 1964/504 (1964 I, p. 833).

⁽d) The relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1969/1168, 1970/46, 1971/1201, 1972/1231 1973/1479 (1969 II, p. 3432; 1970 I, p. 243; 1971 II, p. 3514; 1972 II, p. 3719; 1973 II, p. 4520).

- (3) References in these regulations to any enactment or regulation shall, except in so far as the context otherwise requires, include references to such enactment or regulation as amended or extended by or under any subsequent enactment, order or regulation.
- (4) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(a) shall apply in relation to this instrument and to the revocation effected by it as if this instrument and the regulations revoked by it were Acts of Parliament and as if the revocation were a repeal.

Increase in rates and amounts of benefit payable under regulations

- 2.—(1) The rates and amounts of benefit of the several descriptions specified in Schedule 2 to these regulations shall be increased as from the dates respectively specified in paragraph (2) of this regulation, and accordingly the provisions of the Benefit Regulations set out in column 1 of that Schedule (which provisions relate to the said rates and amounts of benefit) shall be amended as from the appropriate date by substituting for the rates and amounts set out in column 3 of that Schedule the corresponding rates and amounts set out in column 4 thereof.
- (2) The said increases shall operate, in so far as they relate to injury benefit, as from 25th July 1974 and in so far as they relate to any other benefit as from 24th July 1974.

Provided that the increased amount of a disablement gratuity shall be payable only where the period taken into account by the assessment of the extent of disablement in respect of which the gratuity is awarded begins on or after 24th July 1974, but nevertheless the amendment made by this regulation to Schedule 4 of the Benefit Regulations (which Schedule, as applied by regulations 6 and 8 of those regulations, prescribes, in relation to awards of disablement gratuity, the weekly rate of pension payable in lieu thereof and the weekly amount by which increase of benefit during hospital treatment is reduced) shall have effect as from 24th July 1974, whether the period taken into account by the assessment began before or after that date.

(3) As from 7th April 1975, there shall be a further increase to £8.60 in the weekly rate of injury benefit in respect of children under the upper limit of compulsory school age where the employment or employments amounted to full time or substantially full-time employment.

Conditions relating to payment of additional benefit under awards made before the appointed or prescribed day

3. Where an award of any benefit under the principal Act has been made before the day appointed or prescribed for the payment of benefit of the description to which the award relates at a higher weekly rate by virtue of the Act of 1974 or of these regulations, paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 6 to the National Insurance Act 1969 (which relates to the effect of any such award) shall, if the period to which the award relates has not ended before that day, have effect subject to the condition that if the award has not been made in accordance with the provisions of sub-paragraph (2) of that paragraph (which sub-paragraph

authorises the making of such an award providing for the payment of the benefit at the higher weekly rate as from that day) and a question arises as to—

- (a) the weekly rate at which the benefit is payable by virtue of the Act of 1974 or of these regulations, or
- (b) whether the conditions for the receipt of the benefit at the higher weekly rate are satisfied,

the benefit shall be or continue to be payable at the weekly rate specified in the award until the said question shall have been determined in accordance with the provisions of the principal Act.

Amendment to the Benefit Regulations

4. In regulation 11(2A) of the Benefit Regulations (reduction of increase of unemployability supplement on account of earnings of female person residing with the beneficiary) for the word "£9.50" there shall be substituted the word "£13" and for the word "£2" wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the word "£4".

Barbara Castle,
Secretary of State for Social Services.

17th June 1974.

SCHEDULE 1 PROVISIONS CONFERRING POWERS EXERCISED IN MAKING THESE REGULATIONS

Enactment	Relevant Provisions	Relevant Amending Enactments
The National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965(a)	Section 12(3) Section 14(7) Section 15(1) Section 16 Section 18(3) and (3B)	The National Insurance Act 1971(b) section 8(3)
The National Insurance Act 1969(c)	Section 78(2) Schedule 6, Paragraphs 3 and 4	

(a) 1965 c. 52.

(b) 1971 c, 50.

(c) 1969 c. 44.

Regulation 2 SCHEDULE 2

Amendment of Provisions of the Benefit Regulations Relating to Rates and Amounts of Benefit

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Amended provision	Description of rates and amounts of benefit	Existing rate or amount	New rate or amount
Regulation 4(2)	Weekly rates of injury benefit in respect of children under the upper limit of compulsory school age:— (a) where the employment or employments amounted to full-time or substantially full-time employment (b) in any other case	£6·75 £2·30	£7·50(a) £2·70
Regulation 7	Weekly rates of allowance in respect of constant attendance:— (a) where to a substantial extent dependent on such attendance b) maximum payable where so dependent and attendance re-	£5·15	£6·60
	quired is greater by reason of exceptionally severe disablement c) where entirely or almost en- tirely dependent on such attend-	£7·75	£9·90
	ance	£10·30	£13·20
Schedule 3 (applied by Regulation 3)	Amount of gratuities for degrees of disablement of:—		
-	1 per cent	£85.00	£109·00
	2 per cent 3 per cent	£127·50 £170·00	£163·50 £218·00
	3 per cent 4 per cent	£212·50	£272·50
	5 per cent	£255.00	£327.00
	6 per cent	£297·50	£381·50
	7 per cent	£340·00	£436·00
	8 per cent	£382·50	£490·50
	9 per cent	£425·00	£545·00
	10 per cent	£467·50	£599·50
	11 per cent	£510·00	£654·00
	12 per cent	£552·50 £595·00	£708·50 £763·00
	13 per cent 14 per cent	£637·50	£817·50
	14 per cent	£680.00	£872·00
	16 per cent	£722·50	£926·50
	17 per cent	£765·00	£981·00
	18 per cent	£807·50	£1,035·50
	19 per cent	£850·00	£1,090·00
Schedule 4 (applied by Regulations 6 and 8)	Weekly rate of disablement pension payable in lieu of disablement gratuity for degree of disablement of:————————————————————————————————————		
	than 16 per cent but not less less than 16 per cent but not less	£2·56	£3·28
	than 11 per cent less than 11 per cent but not less	£1·92	£2·46
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	than 6 per cent less than 6 per cent	£1·28 £0·64	£1·64 £0·82

⁽a) £8.60 as from 7th April 1975.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations increase the rates of certain benefits payable under regulations made under the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 in order to bring them into conformity with the higher rates of benefit payable directly under that Act by virtue of the National Insurance Act 1974 and contain consequential and transitional provisions following upon the passing of the lastmentioned Act.

These Regulations also amend the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Benefit) Regulations 1964 to relax the conditions relating to the earnings of a female person residing with a beneficiary entitled to unemployability supplement and having care of his children.

These Regulations are made in consequence of the National Insurance Act 1974 and in accordance with section 8(4) of and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 5 to that Act have not been referred to the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council.

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