
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 3228 (C. 75)

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Jobseekers Act 1995 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1995

Made - - - - 11th December 1995

The Secretary of State for Social Security, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 41(2) and (3) of the Jobseekers Act 1995⁽¹⁾ and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Jobseekers Act 1995 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1995.

(2) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, references to sections and Schedules are references to sections of and Schedules to the Jobseekers Act 1995.

Appointed days

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of—

- (a) sections 9(13) (meaning of employment officer), 19(10)(a) (meaning of employment officer), 35 (interpretation), 36 (regulations and orders) and 37 (parliamentary control) is 12th December 1995;
- (b) the provisions specified in the Schedule to this Order for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations is 12th December 1995;
- (c) sections 27 and 34(3) and (7) (employment of long-term unemployed: deductions by employers)—
 - (i) for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 12th December 1995; and
 - (ii) for all other purposes is 6th April 1996;
- (d) section 28 (expedited claims for housing benefit and council tax benefit and the exchange of information)—
 - (i) for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 12th December 1995; and
 - (ii) for all other purposes is 1st April 1996;
- (e) section 29 (pilot schemes) is 1st January 1996;

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- (f) section 30 (grants for resettlement places) and the repeals in Schedule 3 relating to section 30 of and Schedule 5 to the Supplementary Benefits Act 1976 and section 41(5) in so far as it relates to them, is 1st April 1996;
- (g) sections 33 (inspection), 34 (offences), 38(1)(b) and (5) (financial arrangements) and Schedule 2, paragraph 41 (questions for adjudication by the Secretary of State) and section 41(5) in so far as it relates to it, is 6th April 1996.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security.

11th December 1995

Roger Evans
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Social Security

SCHEDULE

Article 2(b)

Provisions coming into force on 12th December 1995

Provisions of the Jobseekers Act 1995	Subject Matter
Section 2(1)(c) and (4)(b).	Contribution conditions for a jobseeker's allowance.
Section 3(1)(f)(iii), (2), (3) and (4).	The income-based conditions.
Section 4(1)(b), (2), (4), (5) and (12).	Amounts payable by way of a jobseeker's allowance.
Section 5(3).	Duration of contribution-based jobseeker's allowance.
Section 6(2), (3), (4), (5), (7) and (8).	Availability for employment.
Section 7(2), (3), (4), (5), (6) and (8).	Actively seeking employment.
Section 8.	Attendance, information and evidence.
Section 9(1), (8), (10), (11) and (12).	The Jobseeker's Agreement.
Section 10(1), (6)(c) and (7).	Variation of Jobseeker's Agreement.
Section 11(2), (5), (7) and (8).	Jobseeker's Agreement: reviews and appeals.
Section 12.	Income and capital: general.
Section 13.	Income and capital: income-based jobseeker's allowance.
Section 15(1), (2)(d), (5) and (6).	Effect of trade dispute on other claimants.
Section 17(1).	Reduced payments.
Section 19(2), (4), (7), (8) and (10)(c).	Circumstances in which a jobseeker's allowance is not payable.
Section 20(3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8).	Exemptions from section 19.
Section 21 and Schedule 1.	Supplementary Provisions.
Section 22.	Members of the Forces.
Section 23(1), (3) and (4).	Recovery of sums in respect of maintenance.
Section 26.	Back to Work Bonus.
Section 31.	Termination of Awards.
Section 40.	Transitional Provisions.
Schedule 2, paragraph 30(5) and section 41(4) in so far as it refers to it.	Prescribed categories of persons for the purpose of income support.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for the coming into force on 12th December 1995 of provisions in the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c. 18) authorising the making of Regulations.

It further provides—

- for section 29, which relates to the making of pilot schemes, to come into force on 1st January 1996;
- for provisions in section 28, which relate to expedited claims for housing benefit and council tax benefit and exchange of information between authorities, to come into force on 1st April 1996;
- for the provisions of sections 27 and 34(3) and (7), which relate to deductions which may be made by employers when they employ long-term unemployed people, to come into force on 6th April 1996;
- for sections 33 (inspection), 34 (offences) and provisions relating to finance and Secretary of State questions, also to come into force on 6th April 1996;
- for provisions relating to resettlement places (including section 30) to come into force on 1st April 1996.