
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 2544

**The Social Fund Cold Weather Payments
(General) Amendment Regulations 1996**

Amendment of regulation 1 of the principal Regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 1(2) of the principal Regulations⁽¹⁾ (interpretation) shall be amended in accordance with the following paragraphs.

(2) The words “Schedule 2 to these Regulations (meaning of references to Post Office postcode areas and sectors) shall have effect and” shall be omitted.

(3) After the definition of “the General Regulations” there shall be inserted the following definition—

““the Meteorological Office” means the Meteorological Office of the Ministry of Defence;”

(4) In the definition of “forecast”—

(a) the words “of the Ministry of Defence” shall be omitted;

(b) after the words “on a daily basis” there shall be inserted the words “between 1st November in any year and 31st March in the following year.”

(5) After the definition of “home” there shall be inserted the following definition—

““income-based jobseeker’s allowance” has the same meaning in these Regulations as it has in the Jobseekers Act 1995⁽²⁾ by virtue of section 1(4) of that Act;”

(6) For the definition of “postcode” there shall be substituted the following definition—

““postcode district” means a Post Office postcode district;”

(7) The definition of “sector” shall be omitted.

(8) For the definition of “station” there shall be substituted the following definition—

““station” means a station accredited by the Meteorological Office at which a period of cold weather may be forecasted or recorded for the purposes of these Regulations;”

(1) Regulation 1(2) was amended by S.I.1990/580, 1991/2238 and 1992/2448.

(2) 1995 c. 18.