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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 784**

**The Occupational Pension Schemes  
(Discharge of Liability) Regulations 1997**

**PART III**

**DISCHARGE OF LIABILITY TO PROVIDE  
PENSIONS UNDER A RELEVANT SCHEME**

**Prohibition and restriction of the discharge of liability to provide pensions under a relevant scheme**

**8.** The trustees of a relevant scheme are prohibited or restricted from discharging any liability to provide pensions under a relevant scheme except—

- (a) in the circumstances and on the conditions prescribed in this Part; or
- (b) where the requirements imposed by the Occupational Pension Schemes (Winding Up) Regulations 1996<sup>M1</sup><sup>F1</sup>, regulations 45 or 46 (as they had effect at the time of approval of arrangements for the scheme ceasing to be contracted-out) of the Occupational Pension Schemes (Contracting-out) Regulations 1996, or regulations 6, 17 or 20 of the Occupational Pension Schemes (Schemes that were Contracted-out) (No.2) Regulations 2015 apply.]

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in [reg. 8\(b\)](#) substituted (6.4.2016) by [The Pensions Act 2014 \(Abolition of Contracting-out for Salary Related Pension Schemes\) \(Consequential Amendments and Savings\) Order 2016 \(S.I. 2016/200\)](#), arts. 1(2), **12(3)**

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**Marginal Citations**

- M1** [S.I. 1996/3126](#).

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Occupational Pension Schemes (Discharge of Liability) Regulations 1997, Section 8.