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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 530**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

**The Jobseeker's Allowance (Amendment) Regulations 1999**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>3rd March 1999</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>25th March 1999</i>

The Secretary of State for Education and Employment, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8(2) of the Jobseekers Act 1995<sup>(1)</sup>, and after agreement by the Social Security Advisory Committee that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it<sup>(2)</sup>, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Jobseeker's Allowance (Amendment) Regulations 1999 and shall come into force on 25th March 1999.

**Entitlement to a jobseeker's allowance ceasing on a failure to comply**

2. For regulation 25(1)(b)(i) of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations 1996<sup>(3)</sup> there shall be substituted the following—

“(i) the claimant attends on the day specified in a notice under regulation 23 but fails to attend at the time specified in that notice (other than a notice requiring attendance under an employment programme or a training scheme), and the Secretary of State has informed the claimant in writing that a failure to attend, on the next occasion on which he is required to attend, at the time specified in such a notice may result in his entitlement to a jobseeker's allowance ceasing, and”.

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(1) 1995 c. 18.

(2) See sections 170 and 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c. 5); paragraph 67 of Schedule 2 to the Jobseekers Act 1995 added that Act to the list of “relevant enactments” in respect of which regulations must normally be referred to the Committee.

(3) S.I. 1996/207.

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Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Education and Employment

3rd March 1999

*Andrew Smith*  
Minister of State,  
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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (S.I.1996/207) ("the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations").

In particular they provide that where a claimant who is required to attend at a place and time specified in a notice under regulation 23 of the Jobseeker's Allowance Regulations (for example, a fortnightly attendance at a Jobcentre) attends on the right day but at the wrong time, his entitlement will cease if, having then received a written warning, he attends at the wrong time again on the next due date. The effect of these Regulations is also to clarify that a claimant fails to attend on the required day at all, his entitlement may cease without him receiving a written warning. These Regulations do not apply to attendance on an employment programme or training scheme because such a failure to attend is the subject of separate regulations.