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**2003 No. 936 (C. 49)**

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

The Welfare Reform and Pensions Act  
1999 (Commencement No. 16) Order 2003

Made - - - - 27th March 2003

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 89(1) of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999<sup>(1)</sup>, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 16) Order 2003.

**Appointed day**

2. The day appointed for the coming into force of paragraph 34 of Schedule 8 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999<sup>(2)</sup> is 6th April 2003.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

27th March 2003

*Malcolm Wicks*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department for Work and Pensions

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(1) 1999 c. 30.

(2) Sub-paragraph (2)(a) of paragraph 34 was revoked by section 85 of, and Part VI of Schedule 9 to, the Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 (c. 19).

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order appoints 6th April 2003 as the day for the coming into force of paragraph 34 of Schedule 8 (administration of benefits) to the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999.

This Order does not impose a charge on business.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

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

The following provisions have been brought into force by:—

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 1) Order 1999 (S.I.1999/3309 (C. 88)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3420 (C. 92)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 3) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/629 (C. 13)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 4) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1047 (C. 29))(3),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 5) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1116 (C. 35)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Scotland) (Commencement No. 6) Order 2000 (S.S.I. 2000/111 (C. 36)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 7) Order 2000 (S.I. 2000/1382 (C. 41)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Scotland) (Commencement No. 8) Order 2000 (S.S.I. 2000/238 (C. 7)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 9, and Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2001 (S.I. 2000/2958 (C. 89))(4),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 10, and Transitional Provisions) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/933 (C. 34)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 11) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/1219 (C. 44)),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 12) Order 2001 (S.I. 2001/4049 (C. 130))(5),

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 13) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/153 (C. 3))(6),

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(3) S.I. 2000/1047 (C. 29) was amended by article 2 of S.I. 2001/933 (C. 34).

(4) S.I. 2000/2958 (C. 89) was amended by article 3 of S.I. 2001/933 (C. 34).

(5) S.I. 2001/4049 (C. 130) was amended by article 3 of S.I. 2002/153 (C. 3).

(6) S.I. 2002/153 (C. 3) was amended by article 2 of S.I. 2002/818 (C. 21).

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 14) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/381 \(C. 9\)](#)) and

the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999 (Commencement No. 15) Order 2002 (S.I. [2002/818 \(C. 21\)](#)).

<i>Provision of Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. Number</i>
Section 1	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 2	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 3	6th April 2001 and 8th October 2001	<a href="#">2001/933</a>
Sections 4 and 5	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 6(1), (2) and (4)	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Schedule 1, except paragraph 1(3), and section 6(3) except so far as it relates to that paragraph 1(3)	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Schedule 1, paragraph 1(3), and section 6(3) so far as it relates to that paragraph 1(3)	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 7	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 8, except the definition of “designated scheme”	1st October 2000	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 8(1) so far as it relates to the definition of “designated scheme”	8th October 2001	<a href="#">2000/1047</a>
Section 9	6th April 2001	<a href="#">2000/2958</a>
Section 10	3rd April 2000	<a href="#">2000/629</a>
Section 11(1), (2), (3) and (11)	29th May 2000	<a href="#">2000/1382</a>
Section 11(4) to (10)	6th April 2002	<a href="#">2002/153</a>
Section 11(12)	1st December 2000	<a href="#">2000/1382</a>
Section 12	6th April 2002	<a href="#">2002/153</a>
Section 13(1) and (2) so far as it relates to section 11(1), (2), (3) and (11)	29th May 2000	<a href="#">2000/1382</a>
Sections 13 and 16	6th April 2002	<a href="#">2002/153</a>
Section 17	23rd April 2001	<a href="#">2001/1219</a>
Schedule 2 and section 18:—		
paragraphs 1 and 2	29th May 2000	<a href="#">2000/1382</a>

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<i>Provision of Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. Number</i>
paragraphs 3 and 4	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 5	1st January 2002	2001/4049
paragraph 6	6th April 2002	2002/153
paragraph 7	6th April 2002	2001/4049
paragraphs 8 to 13	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 14	19th March 2002	2002/381
paragraphs 15 to 19	25th April 2000	2000/1047
Sections 19, 21 and 22 and Schedules 3 and 4	1st December 2000	2000/1116
Section 20	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Sections 23 and 24	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Sections 26 to 51 and Schedules 5 and 6	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Section 53	12th January 2000 and 2nd April 2000	1999/3309
Sections 54 to 56	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
Section 59 and Schedule 7	19th March 2001	2000/2958
Section 61	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
Sections 62 to 65	3rd November 2000 and 6th April 2001	2000/2958
Section 66	12th January 2000	1999/3309
Section 67(1) and (2)	12th January 2000	1999/3309
Section 67(3) and (4)	9th April 2001	2000/1382
Section 69	17th April 2000 and 15th May 2000	2000/1047
*(7) Schedule 8 in the following respects, and section 70 so far as it relates to them:—		
paragraphs 1 to 19	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
paragraph 20	3rd November 2000	2000/2958
paragraphs 21 and 22	3rd November 2000 and 6th April 2001	2000/2958

(7) In this Note an asterisk indicates that a provision has been brought partially into force.

<i>Provision of Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. Number</i>
paragraph 23(1), (2) and (4)	13th December 1999	1999/3309
paragraph 23(3)	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
paragraph 24	3rd April 2000	1999/3309
paragraph 25	3rd November 2000	2000/2958
paragraph 26	3rd November 2000 and 6th April 2001	2000/2958
paragraph 27	6th April 2001	2000/2958
paragraph 28	19th March 2001	2001/933
paragraphs 30 to 32	12th January 2000 and 2nd April 2000	1999/3309
paragraph 33	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Section 73 and Schedule 9	22nd December 1999 and 6th April 2000	1999/3420
Section 74 and Schedule 10	22nd December 1999 and 6th April 2000	1999/3420
Sections 75 and 76	22nd December 1999	1999/3420
Sections 77 and 78	6th April 2000	1999/3420
Schedule 12 and section 84(1):—		
paragraphs 1 to 4	1st December 2000	2000/1116
paragraphs 5 to 7 and 8(1), (2), (5) and (6)	1st December 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 8(3) and (4)	15th April 2000	S.S.I. 2000/111
paragraphs 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14 to 63	1st December 2000	2000/1047
		S.S.I. 2000/238
paragraphs 64 to 66	1st December 2000	2000/1116
paragraphs 67 to 72	6th April 2002	2002/818
paragraph 73	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraph 74	6th April 2000	1999/3420
paragraph 75	25th April 2000	2000/1047
paragraphs 76 to 78	6th April 2000	1999/3420
paragraphs 84 to 86	6th April 2000	1999/3420
Section 85(3) and (4)	1st December 2000	2000/1116
Section 85(5)	1st December 2000	2000/1047

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Schedule 13 in the following respects, and section 88 so far as it relates to them:—		
*Part I	25th April 2000	2000/1047
	19th March 2001	2001/933
	23rd April 2001	2001/1219
	1st January 2002 and 6th April 2002	2001/4049
	6th April 2002	2002/153
	19th March 2002	2002/381
Part II	1st December 2000	2000/1047
		2000/1116
	6th April 2002	2001/4049
Part III	1st December 2000	2000/1047
Part IV	3rd November 2000 and 6th April 2001	2000/2958
Part V	2nd April 2000	1999/3309
	24th April 2000 and 9th April 2001	2000/1047
	6th April 2002	2001/4049
Parts VI and VII	6th April 2000	1999/3420