STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2006 No. 1031

# **EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING**

# AGE DISCRIMINATION

The Employment Equality (Age) Regulations 2006

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# THE EMPLOYMENT EQUALITY (AGE) REGULATIONS 2006

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- 10. Meaning of employment and contract work at establishment in Great Britain
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- 21. Employment agencies, careers guidance etc
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- 49. Amendments, transitionals, repeals and revocations Signature

SCHEDULE 1 — Norwegian part of the Frigg Gas Field

- 1. The part of the Norwegian sector of the Continental Shelf...
- 2. In this Schedule, the "Dividing Line" means the dividing line...

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SCHEDULE 2 — Pension schemes

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- 2. Non-discrimination rule
- 3. Exception for rules, practices, actions and decisions relating to occupational pension schemes
- 3A Length of service exemptions
- 4. Exception for rules, practices, actions and decisions relating to contributions by employers to personal pension schemes
- 4A Unlawfulness of rules, practices, actions or decisions relating to Part 2 or Part 3 of Schedule 2
- 5. Procedure in employment tribunals
- 6. Remedies in employment tribunals
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- 7. Admission to schemes
- 8. The use of age criteria in actuarial calculations
- 9. Contributions
- 10. Contributions under money purchase arrangements
- 11. Contributions under defined benefits arrangements
- 11A Any limitation on employer contributions in respect of a member...
- 12. Age related rules, practices, actions and decisions relating to benefit
- 13. (1) A minimum age for any active or prospective members...
- 13A Paragraph 13 shall continue to apply to any member who...
- 13B (1) A minimum age for any member of a scheme...
- 14. An early retirement pivot age or a late retirement pivot...
- 15. (1) A minimum age for any member of a scheme...
- 15A (1) The calculation of any death benefit payable in respect...
- 16. (1) Any rule, practice, action or decision where—
- 17. The actuarial reduction of any pension payable from a scheme...
- 18. In relation to pensioner members who have retired from a...
- 19. Other rules, practices, actions and decisions relating to benefit
- 19A (1) Any differences in— (a) the fraction of pensionable pay...
- 19B Where paragraph 19A applies, different rates of member or employer...
- 20. Any difference in the amount of any age related benefit...
- 21. (1) Any limitation on the amount of any age related...
- 22. Any rule, practice, action or decision where any age related...
- 23. When determining a member's pensionable pay by reference to which...
- 23A Any difference in the amount of age related benefit or...
- 24. Any limitation on the amount of any age related benefit...
- 25. Closure of schemes
- 25A Closure of sections of schemes
- 26. Other rules, practices, actions and decisions
- 27. Any difference in the rate of increase of pensions in...
- 28. Any difference in the rate of increase of pensions in...
- 29. The application of an age limit for transfer of the...
- 30. Registered pension schemes
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- 31. Contributions by employers
- 32. Any difference in the rate of contributions by an employer...
- 33. Any limitation on any contributions by an employer, to a...
- 34. A minimum age for commencement of payment of contributions by...

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- 35. Different minimum ages for commencement of payment of contributions by...
- 36. Equal rates of contributions by an employer to a personal...

SCHEDULE 3 —

SCHEDULE 4 —

SCHEDULE 5 — Validity of contracts, collective agreements and rules of undertakings Part 1 — Validity and revision of contracts

- 1. (1) A term of a contract is void where—
- 2. (1) Paragraph 1(3) does not apply— (a) to a contract...
- 3. (1) On the application of a person interested in a...
  - Part 2 Collective agreements and rules of undertakings
- 4. (1) This Part of this Schedule applies to—
- 5. A person to whom this paragraph applies may present a...
- 6. In the case of a complaint about—
- 7. In the case of a complaint about a rule made...
- 8. (1) When an employment tribunal finds that a complaint presented...
- 9. The avoidance by virtue of paragraph 4(2) of any term...
- 10. In this Schedule "collective agreement" means any agreement relating to...

SCHEDULE 6 — Duty to consider working beyond retirement

- 1. Interpretation
- 2. Duty of employer to inform employee
- 3. (1) This paragraph applies if the employer has notified the...
- 4. Continuing duty to inform employee
- 5. Statutory right to request not to retire
- 6. An employer's duty to consider a request
- 7. Meeting to consider request
- 8. Appeals
- 9. Right to be accompanied
- 10. Dismissal before request considered
- 11. Complaint to employment tribunal: failure to comply with paragraph 2
- 12. Complaint to employment tribunal: denial of right to be accompanied
- 13. Detriment and dismissal

SCHEDULE 7 — Duty to consider working beyond retirement - transitional provisions

- 1. In paragraphs 2 to 6—(a) "the expiry date" means...
- 2. (1) This paragraph applies in a case where—
- 3. (1) This paragraph applies in a case where the employer...
- 4. (1) This paragraph applies in a case where—
- 5. (1) This paragraph applies in a case where—
- 6. In every case to which paragraph 2, 3, 4 or...

SCHEDULE 8 — Amendments to legislation and related transitional provisions Part 1 — Primary legislation

- 1. The Mines and Quarries Act 1954
- 2. (1) In section 42(1) (charge of winding and rope haulage...
- 3. The Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967
- 4. (1) Section 1 (appointment and tenure of office) is amended...

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- 5. (1) Section 3A (appointment of acting Commissioner) is amended in...
- 6. The amendments made to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 apply...
- 7. The Pilotage Act 1987
- 8. The Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992
- 9. (1) Section 163(1) (interpretation of Part 11 and supplementary provisions)...
- 10. (1) Section 171(1) (interpretation of Part 12 and supplementary provisions)...
- 11. (1) Section 171ZJ (Part 12ZA: supplementary) is amended in accordance...
- 12. (1) Section 171ZS (Part 12ZB: supplementary) is amended in accordance...
- 13. (1) In Schedule 11 omit paragraph 2(a) (period of entitlement...
- 14. The Health Service Commissioners Act 1993
- 15. (1) Schedule 1 (the English Commissioner) is amended in accordance...
- 16. The amendments made to the Health Service Commissioners Act 1993...
- 17. The Statutory Sick Pay Act 1994
- 18. The Employment Tribunals Act 1996
- 19. (1) Section 18(1) (conciliation) is amended in accordance with this...
- 20. (1) Section 21(1) (jurisdiction of Appeal Tribunal) is amended in...
- 21. The Employment Rights Act 1996
- 22. (1) Section 98 (fairness of dismissal: general) is amended as...
- 23. After section 98 insert- Retirement No normal retirement age: dismissal...
- 24. In section 108 (qualifying period of employment) in subsection (3)...
- 25. Omit section 109 (upper age limit on unfair dismissal right)....
- 26. (1) Section 112 (remedies for unfair dismissal: orders and compensation)...
- 27. (1) Section 119 (basic award) is amended as follows.
- 28. (1) Section 120 (basic award: minimum in certain cases) is...
- 29. In section 126(1) (acts which are both unfair dismissal and...
- 30. Section 156(upper age limit) is repealed.
- 31. Section 158 (pension rights) is repealed.
- 32. (1) Section 162 (amount of a redundancy payment) is amended...
- 33. In relation to any case where the date that is...
- 34. (1) Section 209 (powers to amend Act) is amended as...
- 35. (1) Section 211 (period of continuous employment) is amended in...
- 36. The Employment Act 2002
- 37. The Equality Act 2006
- 38. (1) Section 14(1)(codes of practice) is amended in accordance with...
- 39. (1) Section 27(1) (conciliation) is amended in accordance with this...
- 40. (1) Section 33(1) (equality and human rights enactments) is amended... Part 2 — Other legislation
- 41. (1) The Coal and Other Mines (Locomotives) Regulations 1956,....
- 42. (1) The Stratified Ironstone, Shale and Fireclay Mines (Explosives) Regulations...
- 43. (1) The Miscellaneous Mines (Explosives) Regulations 1959 are amended in...
- 44. (1) The Lynemouth Mine (Diesel Vehicles and Storage Battery Vehicles)...
- 45. (1) The South Crofty Mine (Locomotive) Special Regulations 1965 are...
- 46. (1) The Glebe Mine (Locomotives and Diesel Vehicles) Special Regulations...
- 47. (1) The Winsford Rock Salt Mine (Diesel Vehicles and Storage...
- 48. (1) The Thoresby Mine (Cable Reel Load-Haul-Dump Vehicles) Special Regulations...
- 49. The Statutory Sick Pay (General) Regulations 1982 are amended as...

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- 50. (1) Regulation 16 (meaning of "employee") is amended in accordance...
- 51. (1) Regulation 17(2) (meaning of "earnings") is amended in accordance...
- 52. The Statutory Maternity Pay (General) Regulations 1986 are amended as...
- 53. (1) Regulation 17 (meaning of "employee") is amended in accordance...
- 54. (1) Regulation 20(2) (Meaning of "earnings") is amended in accordance...
- 55. (1) The Coal and Other Safety-Lamp Mines (Explosives) Regulations 1993...
- 56. (1) The Employment Tribunals (Interest on Awards In Discrimination Cases)...
- 57. (1) The Employment Protection (Continuity of Employment) Regulations 1996 are...
- 58. (1) The National Minimum Wage Regulations 1999 are amended in...
- 59. The Statutory Paternity Pay and Statutory Adoption Pay (General) Regulations...
- 60. (1) Regulation 32 (Treatment of persons as employees) is amended...
- 61. (1) Regulation 39(2) (Meaning of "earnings") is amended in accordance...
- 62. (1) Schedule 1A (occupational pension schemes) to the Employment Equality...
- 63. (1) Schedule 1A (occupational pension schemes) to the Employment Equality...
- 64. (1) The Employment Act 2002 (Dispute Resolution) Regulations 2004 are...

SCHEDULE 9 — Repeals and revocations

Explanatory Note

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# Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Sch. 6 revoked by S.I. 2011/1069 reg. 4(1)
- Sch. 6 para. 1(1) words substituted by S.I. 2010/2317 Sch. 8 para. 7 \_
- Sch. 8 para. 22-24 omitted by S.I. 2011/1069 reg. 4(2) \_
- Sch. 8 para. 26 omitted by S.I. 2011/1069 reg. 4(2) \_
- Sch. 8 para. 28 omitted by S.I. 2011/1069 reg. 4(2)
- Regulations revoked (except Schs. 6, 8) by 2010 c. 15 Sch. 27 Pt. 2 (Regulations \_ revoked except Schs. 6, 8)

## **Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the The Employment Equality (Age) Regulations 2006**

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Instrument into force:

- S.I. 2010/2317 art. 2(15)(f) commences (2010 c. 15) \_
- S.I. 2011/1066 art. 2(h) commences (2010 c. 15) \_