
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 380

The Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance and Employment and Support Allowance (Claims and Payments) Regulations 2013

PART 4

Payments

Payment of universal credit

47.—(1) Universal credit is payable monthly in arrears in respect of each assessment period unless in any case or class of case the Secretary of State arranges otherwise.

(2) Where universal credit is to be paid in accordance with regulation 46, it is to be paid within seven days of the last day of the assessment period but if it is not possible to pay universal credit within that period of seven days, it is to be paid as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.

(3) In respect of an award of universal credit which is the subject of an arrangement for payment under regulation 46, the Secretary of State may make a particular payment by credit transfer otherwise than as is provided by paragraph (2), if it appears to the Secretary of State appropriate to do so for the purpose of—

- (a) paying any arrears of benefit; or
- (b) making a payment in respect of a terminal period of an award or for any similar purpose.

(4) Where the Secretary of State has arranged for universal credit to be paid in accordance with regulation 46, joint claimants may nominate a bank or other account into which that benefit is to be paid.

(5) Where joint claimants of universal credit have not nominated a bank or other account into which that benefit is to be paid, the Secretary of State may nominate a bank or other account.

(6) The Secretary of State may, in any case where the Secretary of State considers it is in the interests of—

- (a) the claimants;
- (b) a child or a qualifying young person for whom one or both of the claimants are responsible; or
- (c) a severely disabled person, where the calculation of an award of universal credit includes, by virtue of regulation 29 of the Universal Credit Regulations, an amount in respect of the fact that a claimant has regular and substantial caring responsibilities for that severely disabled person,

arrange that universal credit payable in respect of joint claimants be paid wholly to only one member of the couple or be split between the couple in such proportion as the Secretary of State considers appropriate.

[^{F1}(6A) The Secretary of State may pay arrears of universal credit in instalments where—

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- (a) the Secretary of State considers it is necessary for protecting the interests of the claimant, or, in the case of joint claimants, either of the claimants; and
- (b) the claimant agrees, or in the case of joint claimants, both claimants agree, that those arrears may be paid in instalments.]

F²(7)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Reg. 47(6A) inserted (18.10.2021) by [The Social Security Benefits \(Claims and Payments\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/1065\)](#), regs. 1(1), **3(2)**
- F2** Reg. 47(7) omitted (25.11.2020) by virtue of [The Universal Credit \(Persons who have attained state pension credit qualifying age\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/655\)](#), regs. 1(2), **4(2)**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Reg. 47(1) excluded (S.) (4.10.2017) by [The Universal Credit \(Claims and Payments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(S.S.I. 2017/227\)](#), regs. 1(1), **2(1)** (with regs. 2(4), 6)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [reg. 47\(4\)-\(6\)](#) excluded by [2018 asp 9 s. 94\(3\)](#)