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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 443**

**The Social Security (Miscellaneous  
Amendments) Regulations 2013**

**Amendments to the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987**

- 2.—(1) The Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) After the definition of “liable relative” in regulation 2(1) (interpretation), insert—
- ““local welfare provision” means occasional financial or other assistance given by a local authority, the Scottish Ministers or the Welsh Ministers, or a person authorised to exercise any function of, or provide a service to, them, to or in respect of individuals for the purpose of—
- (a) meeting, or helping to meet, an immediate short term need—
    - (i) arising out of an exceptional event, or exceptional circumstances; and
    - (ii) that requires to be met in order to avoid a risk to the well-being of an individual; or
  - (b) enabling individuals to establish or maintain a settled home, where those individuals have been or, without the assistance, might otherwise be—
    - (i) in prison, hospital, a residential care establishment or other institution; or
    - (ii) homeless or otherwise living an unsettled way of life;”.
- (3) In regulation 54 (interpretation) in paragraph (e)(ii) of the definition of “payment”(2)—
- (a) omit “the payment is”; and
  - (b) for “rent, housing costs,” substitute “rent for which housing benefit is payable, housing costs to the extent that they are met under regulation 17(1)(e) or 18(1)(f) (housing costs),”.
- (4) In Schedule 3 (housing costs)(3)—
- (a) in paragraph 3(7)(c)(ii) (circumstances in which a person is to be treated as occupying a dwelling as his home) after “pending” insert “local welfare provision or”; and
  - (b) in paragraph 18(7)(i) (non-dependant deductions) before “employment and support allowance” insert “income-related”.
- (5) In Schedule 9 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings)—
- (a) after paragraph 31(4), insert—

“**31A.** Any local welfare provision.”; and
  - (b) in paragraph 46(5), after “section 13”, insert “, 13A”.
- (6) In Schedule 10 (capital to be disregarded)—
- (a) after paragraph 18(6), insert—

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(1) [S.I. 1987/1967](#).

(2) Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2008/2111](#).

(3) Paragraph 3(7)(c)(ii) was substituted by [S.I. 2006/2378](#) and paragraph 18(7)(i) was inserted by [S.I. 2008/1554](#), as amended by [S.I. 2008/2428](#). Paragraphs 3 and 18 have been amended in other ways not material to these Regulations.

(4) Paragraph 31 was amended by [S.I. 2008/3157](#).

(5) Paragraph 46 was substituted by [S.I. 2008/698](#).

(6) Paragraph 18 was amended by [S.I. 2008/3157](#).

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- “**18A.** Any local welfare provision.”; and  
(b) in paragraph 36(7), after “section 13”, insert “, 13A”.