
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 771

The Housing Benefit and Universal Credit (Supported Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations 2014

Amendment of the Universal Credit Regulations 2013

2.—(1) The Universal Credit Regulations 2013⁽¹⁾ are amended as follows.

(2) In Schedule 1 (meaning of payments in respect of accommodation)—

(a) in paragraph 1 (interpretation)—

(i) for the definition of “exempt accommodation” substitute—

““exempt accommodation” has the meaning given in paragraph 4(10) of Schedule 3 to the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Consequential Provisions) Regulations 2006⁽²⁾”;

(ii) omit the definition of “upper-tier county council”.

(b) in paragraph 3 (payments excluded from being rent payments)—

(i) omit paragraph (e);

(ii) after paragraph (g) add—

“(h) payments in respect of accommodation specified in paragraph 3A.”;

(c) after paragraph 3 insert—

“Specified accommodation

3A.—(1) The accommodation referred to in paragraph 3(h) is accommodation to which one or more of the following sub-paragraphs applies.

(2) This sub-paragraph applies to accommodation which is exempt accommodation.

(3) This sub-paragraph applies to accommodation—

(a) which is provided by a relevant body;

(b) into which the claimant has been admitted in order to meet a need for care, support or supervision; and

(c) where the claimant receives care, support or supervision.

(4) This sub-paragraph applies to accommodation which—

(a) is provided by a local authority or a relevant body to the claimant because the claimant has left the home as a result of domestic violence; and

(b) consists of a building, or part of a building, which is used wholly or mainly for the non-permanent accommodation of persons who have left their homes as a result of domestic violence.

(5) This sub-paragraph applies to accommodation—

(1) S.I. 2013/376.

(2) S.I. 2006/217.

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- (a) which would be a hostel within the meaning of paragraph 29(10) (renters excepted form shared accommodation) of Schedule 4 (housing costs element for renters) but for it being owned or managed by a local authority; and
 - (b) where the claimant receives care, support or supervision.
- (6) In this paragraph—
- “domestic violence” has the meaning given in regulation 98 (victims of domestic violence)(3);
 - “relevant body” means a—
 - (a) council for a county in England for each part of which there is a district council;
 - (b) housing association;
 - (c) registered charity; or
 - (d) voluntary organisation”.
- (3) In Schedule 4 (housing costs element for renters) in paragraph 2 (interpretation)(4) for the definition of “exempt accommodation” substitute—
- ““exempt accommodation” has the meaning given in paragraph 4(10) of Schedule 3 to the Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit (Consequential Provisions) Regulations 2006(5);”.

(3) The definition of “domestic violence” was substituted by [S.I. 2013/1508](#).

(4) There is an amendment to paragraph 2 which is not relevant to this instrument.

(5) [S.I. 2006/217](#).