#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2015 No. 555

### **PENSIONS**

# The Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2015

Made - - - - 3rd March 2015
Laid before Parliament 6th March 2015
Coming into force - - 6th April 2015

The Secretary of State, with the approval of the Treasury, makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1 and 2 of the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act 1939(1), and now vested in the Secretary of State(2):

#### Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme (Amendment) Order 2015 and shall come into force on 6th April 2015.
  - (2) In this Order "the principal Scheme" means the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1983(3).

#### Amendment to the principal Scheme

- 2. The schedules to the principal scheme are amended by substituting—
  - (a) the table in Schedule 1 for the table in Schedule 3 of the principal Scheme;
  - (b) the table in Schedule 2 for the table in Schedule 4 of the principal Scheme.

<sup>(1) 1939</sup> c. 82.

<sup>(2)</sup> The functions of the Minister referred to in section 1(1) and (2) of the Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act 1939 were transferred to the Secretary of State for Social Security by the Transfer of Functions (Health and Social Security) Order 1988, S.I. 1988/1843, article 3. The functions of the Secretary of State for Social Security were transferred to the Secretary of State for Defence by the Transfer of Functions (War Pensions etc.) Order 2001, S.I. 2001/3506 article 2.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 1983/686.

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#### SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(a)

## TABLE TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE TABLE IN SCHEDULE 3 OF THE PRINCIPAL SCHEME

#### "Table

# RATES OF PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF DISABLEMENT AND EARNINGS OR INCOME THRESHOLDS

Description of Pension or Allowance	Rate
1. Pension for 100 per cent. disablement under article 11	£178.20 per week
2. Education allowance under article 13	£120.00 per annum*
3 Constant attendance allowance under article 14	
A. for decisions made before 9th April 2001—	
(a) under the proviso to article 14	£134.40 per week*
(b) in any other case under article 14	£67.20 per week*
B. for decisions made on or after 9th April 2001—	
(a) the part day rate of constant attendance allowance under article 14(2)	£33.60 per week
(b) the full day rate of constant attendance allowance under article 14(3)	£67.20 per week
(c) the intermediate rate of constant attendance allowance under article $14(4)$	£100.80 per week
(d) the exceptional rate of constant attendance allowance under article $14(5)$	£134.40 per week
4. Exceptionally severe disablement allowance under article 15	£67.20 per week
5. Severe disablement occupational allowance under article 16	£33.60 per week
6. Allowance for wear and tear of clothing under article 17(1)	£230.00 per annum
7. Unemployability allowances—	
(a) personal allowance under article 18(1)(i)	£110.10 per week
(b) additional allowances for dependants by way of—	
(i) increase of allowance in respect of a spouse, civil partner or adult dependant under article $18(5)(b)$	£61.20 per week*
(ii) increase of allowance under article 18(5)(d)—	
(aa) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child	£14.20 per week
(bb) in respect of each other child	£16.75 per week
(cc) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£16.75 per week
For decisions made on or after 9th April 2001	

(c) the annual earnings figure for the purposes of article 18(2) is £5,408

Description of Pension or Allowance	Rate
(d) the weekly income figure for the purposes of article $18(5)(b)$ is £73.10	
8. Invalidity allowance payable under article 19	
(a) if—	
(i) the relevant date fell before 5th July 1948;	
(ii) on the relevant date the disabled person was under the age of 35; or	£21.80 per week
(iii) on the relevant date the disabled person was under the age of 40 and had not attained the age of 65, in the case of a disabled person being a man, or 60, in the case of that person being a woman, before 6th April 1979 and the period in respect of which payment of the allowance is to relate begins on or after 6th April 1979	
(b) if—	
(i) on the relevant date the disabled person was age 35 or over but under the age of 45; or $$	
(ii) on the relevant date the disabled person was age 40 or over but under the age of 50 and had not attained the age of 65, in the case of a disabled person being a man, or 60 in the case of that person being a woman, before 6th April 1979 and the period in respect of which payment of the allowance is to relate begins on or after 6th April 1979	£14.20 per week
(c) if sub-paragraph (a) or (b) does not apply and on the relevant date the disabled person was under the age of $60$	£7.10 per week
9. Comforts Allowance—	
(a) under article 20(1)(a)	£28.90 per week
(b) under article 20(1)(b) or 45(1)	£14.45 per week
10. Allowance for lowered standard of occupation under article 21	£67.20 per week*
11. Age Allowance under article 22 where the degree of pensioned disablement is— $$	
(a) 40 or 50 per cent.	£11.95 per week
(b) 60 or 70 per cent.	£18.35 per week
(c) 80 or 90 per cent.	£26.10 per week
(d) 100 per cent.	£36.70 per week
12. For decisions made before 9th April 2001, treatment allowance—increase of personal allowance under article 25	£36.70 per week*
13. Part-time treatment allowance under article 25	£81.75 per day*
14. Mobility supplement under article 25A	£64.15 per week
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\* maximum"

#### SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(b)

## TABLE TO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE TABLE IN SCHEDULE 4 OF THE PRINCIPAL SCHEME

#### "Table

#### RATES OF PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF DEATH

Description of Pension of Allowance	Rate
Pension to surviving spouses and surviving civil partners—	
(a) under article 27(1)	£135.15 per week
(b) under article 27(2)	£32.37 per week
(c) under article 27(3)	£90.41 per week
2. Rent allowance under article 28	£50.90 per week*
3. Allowance under article 29 or 50 to an elderly surviving spouse and elderly surviving civil partner—	
(a) if aged 65 or over but under 70	£15.40 per week
(b) if aged 70 or over but under 80	£29.60 per week
(c) if aged 80 or over	£43.90 per week
4. Pension under article 30 to dependants who lived as spouses and dependants who lived as civil partners	£1.00 per week
5. Allowances under article 33 in respect of each child under the age of 15—	
(a) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child	£21.20 per week
(b) in respect of each other child	£23.75 per week
(c) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£23.75 per week
6. Pension under article 34(1) where the decision is made before 9th April 2001, to a motherless or fatherless child under the age of 15 and, where the decision is made on or after that date, under article 34(2) to a child under the age of 15 with no parents living—	
(a) in respect of the only, or elder or eldest child	£24.25 per week
(b) in respect of each other child	£26.55 per week
(c) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£26.55 per week
7. Pension or allowance where the decision is made before 9th April 2001, under article 35(3)(4) and, where the decision is made on or after that date, under article 35(2) to or in respect of a child aged 15 or over—	

<sup>(4)</sup> The reference to article 35(3) is a reference to the principal Scheme in force prior to 9th April 2001.

Description of Pension of Allowance	Rate
(a) where the child has attained the age of 18 and is incapable of self-support by reason of an infirmity which arose before he attained the age of 15	£103.85 per week*
(b) any other case—	
(i) in respect of the only, elder or eldest child	£24.25 per week*
(ii) in respect of each other child	£26.55 per week*
(iii) where the child does not qualify for child benefit under the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 or under any legislation in Northern Ireland or the Isle of Man corresponding to that Act	£26.55 per week*
8. Education allowance under article 36	£120 per annum*
9. Pensions to parents—	
(a) minimum rate under article 38(4)	£0.25 per week
(b) maximum rate under article 38(4)—	
(i) where there is only one eligible parent	£1.00 per week
(ii) where there is more than one eligible parent	£1.38 per week
(c) increase under the proviso to article 38(4)—	
(i) where there is only one eligible parent	£0.38 per week*
(ii) where there is more than one eligible parent	£0.62 per week*
10. Pensions to other dependants—	
(a) for each juvenile dependant under article 39(4)	£0.30 per week*
(b) aggregate rate under article 39(4)	£1.00 per week*
(c) under article 39(5)	£1.00 per week*
* maximum"	

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1983 ("the principal Scheme") which makes provision for the payment of pensions and allowances to or in respect of civilians who were killed or injured during the 1939-1945 World War.

Article 2(a) substitutes a new table into Schedule 3 to the principal Scheme. This table reflects the up-rating of the payments contained within it. This table specifies which rates of pensions and allowances are payable in respect of disablement and or earnings or income thresholds.

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Article 2(b) substitutes a new table into Schedule 4 to the principal Scheme. This table reflects the uprating of the payments contained within it. This table specifies the rates of pensions and allowances payable in respect of death.