

**2015 No. 645**

**IMMIGRATION**

**The Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2015**

*Made* - - - - *5th March 2015*

*Laid before Parliament* *12th March 2015*

*Coming into force* - - *6th April 2015*

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 95(12), 166(3) and 167(1) of, and paragraphs 1 and 3(a) of Schedule 8 to, the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999(a).

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 6th April 2015.

**Kind and levels of support for essential living needs**

2.—(1) Regulation 10 of the Asylum Support Regulations 2000(b) (kind and levels of support for essential living needs) is amended as follows.

(2) For paragraph (2) and the table in that paragraph substitute—

“(2) As a general rule, asylum support in respect of the essential living needs of that person may be expected to be provided weekly in the form of a cash payment of £36.95.”.

(3) Omit paragraph (3).

(4) In paragraph (3A) for “the table at regulation 10(2)” substitute “paragraph (1)”.

(5) Omit paragraph (4).

(6) In paragraph (5)—

(a) omit “(or couple)”;

(b) for “the amounts shown in the Table” substitute “the amount specified”.

**Revocation of the Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2011**

3. The Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2011(c) are revoked.

Home Office  
5th March 2015

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Minister of State

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(a) 1999 c. 33. Section 167(1) is cited for the meaning of “prescribed”.

(b) S.I. 2000/704. Regulation 10 is amended by S.I. 2002/472, 2004/1313, 2005/2114, 2009/1388 and 2011/907.

(c) S.I. 2011/907.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

Regulation 2 amends regulation 10 of the Asylum Support Regulations 2000 (S.I.2000/704) to provide that the Secretary of State may make a weekly cash payment of £36.95 in respect of the essential living needs of persons to whom the Secretary of State has decided to provide asylum support. It also makes consequential amendments to that regulation.

These Regulations take effect from 6th April 2015. On that date, the Asylum Support (Amendment) Regulations 2011 (S.I.2011/907) (which set out the previous categories of persons to whom cash payments were provided and the amounts of those payments) are revoked.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private and voluntary sector is foreseen.

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