
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 546

The Pensions Increase (Review) Order 2019

Pensions increase: annual rate and lump sums

3.—(1) This article applies to an official pension if—

- (a) a qualifying condition is satisfied; or
- (b) the pension is—
 - (i) a derivative pension;
 - (ii) a substituted pension; or
 - (iii) a relevant injury pension.

(2) In relation to any period on or after 8th April 2019, the pension authority may increase the annual rate⁽¹⁾ of the pension—

- (a) for a pension which began before 9th April 2018, by 2.4 per cent;
- (b) for a pension which began on or after 9th April 2018, by 2.4 per cent multiplied by—

$$\frac{A}{12}$$

where A is the number of complete months in the period between the beginning date of the pension and 8th April 2019.

(3) In relation to a lump sum which is payable on or after 9th April 2018 but before 8th April 2019, the pension authority may increase the lump sum by 2.4 per cent multiplied by—

$$\frac{A}{12}$$

where A is the number of complete months in the period between the beginning date for the lump sum (or, if later, 9th April 2018) and the date on which it became payable.

(1) Section 59(5) of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975 provides that increases in the rate of a pension are to be calculated by reference to the basic rate of the pension as authorised to be increased by section 1 of the Pensions (Increase) Act 1971 or by an order under section 2 of that Act or section 59 of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975.