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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2008 No. 1480**

**The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2008**

**Title, commencement, interpretation and application**

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2008.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 1 July 2008.

(3) In these Regulations—

(a) “the principal Regulations” (“*y prif Reoliadau*”) means the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2007(1); and

(b) “the Income Support Regulations” (“*y Rheoliadau Cymhorthdal Incwm*”) means the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987(2).

(4) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

**Modifications of the Income Support Regulations in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations**

2.—(1) Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations (Modifications of the Income Support (General) Regulations 1987) is amended as follows.

(2) In Table A, for the modification of regulation 45 of the Income Support Regulations (Capital Limit), substitute—

“For this regulation substitute—

**“Capital Limit**

**45** For the purposes of regulations 5(2)(e) and 6(1)(a) of the National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Wales) Regulations 2007 the capital limit is—

(a) for a claimant permanently residing in accommodation as defined in regulation 19A— £22,000;

(b) in any other case—£16,000.””.

(3) In Table A, for the modification of regulation 53 of the Income Support Regulations, for “(a) until 8 April 2007 £16,000; (b) from 9 April 2007 £17,250” substitute “£19,000”.

(4) In Table A, in the modifications of regulation 66A of the Income Support Regulations (treatment of student loans), for the first entry, substitute—

“For paragraph (1), substitute—

“(1) A student loan must be treated as income unless it is—

(a) a hardship loan; or

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(1) S.I.2007/1104 (W.116).

(2) S.I. 1987/1967.

- (b) an additional loan, as described in the Guide to Student Support issued by the Student Awards Agency for Scotland 2007-2008<sup>(3)</sup>, paid pursuant to an application for a loan under regulation 5(1) or (9) of the Education (Student Loans) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (applications for loans)<sup>(4)</sup>,

in which case it will be disregarded.””.

(5) In Table A, in the modifications to Schedule 9 to the Income Support Regulations (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) for the first entry substitute—

“In paragraph 15(1) for “sub-paragraph (3)” substitute “sub-paragraphs (1A), (1B) and (3)”.

Insert after paragraph 15(1)—

“(1A) In respect of a voluntary payment made to a student, sub-paragraph (1) will only apply to £20 of that payment.

(1B) The total amount disregarded in respect of voluntary payments to a student under sub-paragraph (1) may not exceed £20 per week.

(1C) In sub-paragraphs (1A) and (1B) “student” has the meaning given in regulation 61(1).””.

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<sup>(3)</sup> The Guide is available on the website for the Student Awards Agency for Scotland at <http://www.saas.gov.uk>.

<sup>(4)</sup> S.S.I. 2007/154.