



Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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PART 2

GIVING OF ASSISTANCE BY SCOTTISH MINISTERS

CHAPTER 3

DETERMINING ENTITLEMENT

[^{F1}Coronavirus: relaxation of deadlines

[^{F1}52B Applications for assistance

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where regulations under Chapter 2 make an individual's eligibility for assistance in respect of a period or event depend (in any way) on an application being made by a particular time.
- (2) The person determining an individual's entitlement to the assistance may treat the individual's application as having been made by that time if satisfied that the reason for its not being made sooner is related to coronavirus.
- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, regulations that make a person's age at the time of making an application material to the determination of an individual's entitlement to assistance are to be understood to make the individual's eligibility depend on the application being made by a particular time (namely the time at which the person ceases to be the specified age or fall within the specified age bracket).
- (4) In this section, "coronavirus" has the meaning given by section 1 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 52A, 52B and cross-heading inserted (7.4.2020) by [Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(asp 7\)](#), s. 17(1), [sch. 7 para. 4](#) (with ss. 11-13)

Changes to legislation:

Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018, Section 52B is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 13 December 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 81(4C) inserted by [2021 asp 20 s. 2\(a\)](#)
- s. 85D inserted by [2020 asp 18 s. 2\(6\)](#)