



2015 CHAPTER 5

PART 1

STATE PENSION

Postponing or suspending state pension

Section 17 supplementary: calculating weeks, overseas residents, etc.

18.—(1) Regulations may—

- (a) provide for circumstances in which a part of a week is to be treated for the purposes of section 17(3) as a whole week, and
- (b) provide for circumstances in which a day does not count in determining a number of whole weeks for the purposes of section 17(3) (for example if the person is receiving other benefits).

(2) Regulations may modify section 17(4) in cases where, at any time in the period during which a person's entitlement to a state pension is deferred, the rate for the person would have changed otherwise than because of an up-rating increase.

(3) Regulations may modify section 17(4) in relation to a person who has been an overseas resident during any part of the period for which the person's entitlement to a state pension has been deferred.

(4) In subsection (3) “overseas resident” means a person who is not ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland or any other territory specified in the regulations.

(5) Regulations may amend the percentage specified in section 17(2).

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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 18(1) in operation at 16.7.2015 for specified purposes by [S.R. 2015/307, art. 2\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- I2** S. 18(2)-(4) in operation at 25.2.2016 for specified purposes by [S.R. 2016/68, art. 2\(c\)](#)
- I3** S. 18 in operation at 6.4.2016 so far as not brought into operation earlier by an order, see [s. 53\(1\)\(3\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) transitional provisions for effects of commencing S.I. 2017/297, art. 2 by [S.R. 2017/58](#) Order