
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 2705

The Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

Part II

The Jobseeker's Allowance

Trade disputes

Effect on other claimants

17.—^[F1](1) Except in prescribed circumstances, paragraph (2) applies in relation to a claimant for an income-based jobseeker's allowance where a member of his family (“A”) is, or would be, prevented by Article 16 from being entitled to a jobseeker's allowance.

(2) For the purposes of calculating the claimant's entitlement to an income-based jobseeker's allowance—

- (a) any portion of the applicable amount which is included in respect of A shall be disregarded for the period for which this paragraph applies to the claimant;
- (b) where the claimant and A are a^[F2] couple], any portion of the applicable amount which is included in respect of them shall be reduced to one half for the period for which this paragraph applies to the claimant;
- (c) except so far as regulations provide otherwise, there shall be treated as the claimant's income—
 - (i) any amount which becomes, or would on an application duly made become, available to A in relation to that period by way of repayment of income tax deducted from A's^[F3] taxable earnings (as defined by section 10 of the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003 under regulations made under section 684 of that Act (PAYE regulations)); and
 - (ii) any other payment which the claimant or any member of his family receives or is entitled to obtain because A is without employment for that period; and
- (d) any payment by way of a jobseeker's allowance for that period or any part of it which apart from this sub-paragraph would be made to the claimant—
 - (i) shall not be made, if the weekly rate of payment (“the rate”) would be equal to or less than the prescribed sum; and
 - (ii) shall be at a weekly rate equal to the difference between the rate and the prescribed sum, if the rate would be more than the prescribed sum.

(3) Where a reduction under paragraph (2)(b) would not produce a sum which is a multiple of 5p, the reduction shall be to the nearest lower sum which is such a multiple.

(4) Where A returns to work with the same employer after a period during which paragraph (2) applied to the claimant (whether or not his return is before the end of any stoppage of work in relation

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to which he is, or would be, prevented from being entitled to a jobseeker's allowance), paragraph (2) shall cease to apply to the claimant at the commencement of the day on which A returns to work.

(5) In relation to any period of less than a week, paragraph (2) shall have effect subject to such modifications as may be prescribed.

(6) Paragraphs (7) to (9) apply where an order made under section 132 of the Administration Act (annual up-rating of benefits) has the effect of increasing the sum prescribed in regulations made under Article 6(5) as the personal allowance for a single person aged not less than 25 (“the personal allowance”).

(7) For the sum prescribed in regulations made under paragraph (2)(d) there shall be substituted, from the time when the order comes into operation, a sum arrived at by increasing the prescribed sum by the percentage by which the personal allowance has been increased by the order.

(8) If the sum arrived at under paragraph (7) is not a multiple of 50p—

(a) any remainder of 25p or less shall be disregarded;

(b) any remainder of more than 25p shall be rounded up to the nearest 50p.

(9) The order shall state the sum substituted for the sum prescribed in regulations made under paragraph (2)(d).

(10) Nothing in paragraph (7) prevents the making of further regulations under paragraph (2)(d) varying the prescribed sum.]

F1 Arts. 17-19 repealed (27.9.2017 for specified purposes, 15.11.2017 and 13.12.2017 for specified purposes, 17.1.2018 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 16.5.2018 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 5.9.2018 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 1.2.2019 for specified purposes) by [The Welfare Reform \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/2006\)](#), art. 2(2), [Sch. 12 Pt. 1](#); S.R. 2017/190, art. 6, Sch. 2 (with arts. 7, 8, 10-25, Sch. 3); S.R. 2017/216, art. 4 (with art. 5); S.R. 2018/1, art. 4 (with art. 5); S.R. 2018/97, art. 4 (with art. 5); S.R. 2018/138, art. 4 (with art. 5); S.R. 2019/7, art. 2(5)-(7) (with art. 2(8)-(12))

F2 2004 c.33

F3 2003 c. 1

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- power to am. (prosp.) by [1998 c. 47 s.87](#)
- art. 17(2)(a) words substituted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 17\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- art. 17(2)(b) words substituted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 17\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- art. 17(2)(c) words substituted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 17\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- art. 17(4) words substituted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 17\(4\)](#)

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

- Order modified by [S.R. 2019/211 art. 2\(2\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Affecting Order revoked (19.12.2020) without ever being in force by [S.R. 2020/347](#), arts. 1(1), 2)

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

- [Sch. 1 para. 14\(1\)](#) Sch. 1 para. 14 renumbered as [Sch. 1 para. 14\(1\)](#) by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 23\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- [Sch. 1 para. 2\(4\)](#) added by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 23\(2\)](#)
- [Sch. 1 para. 14\(2\)](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 23\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- [Sch. 1 para. 14A](#) and cross heading inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 23\(6\)](#)
- [Sch. 1 para. 8ZA](#) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 66\(4\)](#)
- [art. 3\(1A\)](#) substituted for [art. 3\(2\)-\(2D\)](#) by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 4\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- [art. 3\(2\)\(za\)](#) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 66\(2\)](#)
- [art. 3\(3A\)](#) inserted by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) art. 66\(3\)](#)
- [art. 3A3B](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 4\(3\)](#)
- [art. 3A\(6\)](#) repealed by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 4 Pt. 1](#)
- [art. 5\(1A\)](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 11\(3\)](#)
- [art. 11\(4A\)](#) amendment to earlier affecting provision [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\)](#), [s. 25\(1\)](#) by [S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I.\) Sch. 7 para. 14\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- [art. 11\(4A\)](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 25\(1\)](#)
- [art. 13A-13C](#) and cross-heading inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 3](#)
- [art. 16\(2A\)](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 16\(4\)](#)
- [art. 17\(1\)\(1A\)](#) substituted for [art. 17\(1\)](#) by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 17\(2\)](#)
- [art. 17A\(1A\)](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 18\(2\)](#)
- [art. 17B](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 19](#)
- [art. 20A20B](#) and cross-heading inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 4](#)
- [art. 20C20D](#) inserted by [2010 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 5](#)