
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 255

The Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005

PART II

THE PENSIONS REGULATOR

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8.—(1) The Regulator may provide such information, education and assistance as it considers appropriate to those involved in—

- (a) the administration of work-based pension schemes, or
- (b) advising the trustees or managers in relation to such schemes as to their operation.

(2) To the extent that it is not authorised to do so under paragraph (1), the Regulator may also provide such information, education and assistance as it considers appropriate to—

- (a) employers in relation to work-based pension schemes,
- (b) persons involved in advising such employers as to the operation of such schemes, or
- (c) persons upon whom duties are imposed by or by virtue of Article 215 (information and advice to employees).

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), “employers in relation to work-based pension schemes” means, in the case of stakeholder pension schemes, the persons upon whom duties are imposed by or by virtue of Article 5 of the 1999 Order (duty of employers to facilitate access to stakeholder pension schemes).

(4) In this Article—

“assistance” does not include financial assistance;

“stakeholder pension scheme” and “work-based pension scheme” have the same meaning as in Article 4 (Regulator's objectives).

Changes to legislation:

The Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 2005, Section 8 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 10 April 2024. 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 Order associated Parts and Chapters:

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

- Sch. 6 para. 21(2)(c)-(cc) substituted for (b)(c) by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 6 para. 11](#)
- art. 2(4)(b)(viii)-(x) inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 21\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- art. 19(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 24\(3\)](#)
- art. 19(10A) inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 24\(5\)](#)
- art. 34(1)-(1B) substituted for art. 34(1) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 25](#)
- art. 34(7)(da) inserted by [2021 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- art. 39(1)-(1B) substituted for art. 39(1) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 26\(2\)](#)
- art. 48(1)-(1B) substituted for art. 48(1) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 27](#)
- art. 75(1)(a)(iib) inserted by [2021 c. 1 Sch. 8 para. 8\(2\)](#)
- art. 110(1)-(1B) substituted for art. 110(1) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 29](#)
- art. 191(5) added by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 9 para. 6](#)
- art. 267(4)(f) and word inserted by [2021 c. 1 Sch. 6 para. 20\(b\)](#)