
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1992 No. 18

The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order (Northern Ireland) 1992

Part II

Social Security Benefits

Increase in rates or amounts of certain benefits under the Pensions Order

4.—(1) The sums specified in paragraphs (2) and (3) shall be increased from and including the respective dates specified in Article 5.

(2) In Article 8(1)(a) of the Pensions Order (basic pension of Category A retirement pension)—

- (a) so far as the sum is relevant for the purpose of calculating under section 14(6)(1) the rate of sickness benefit, for the sum of £49.90(2) there shall be substituted the sum of £51.95; and
- (b) except so far as mentioned in sub-paragraph (a), for the sum of £52.00(2) there shall be substituted the sum of £54.15.

(3) It is hereby directed that the sums which are—

- (a) the additional pensions in the rates of long-term benefit calculated by reference to any final relevant year earlier than the tax year 1991/1992;
- (b) the increases in the rates of retirement pensions under Schedule 1 to the Pensions Order (increase of pension where pensioner's entitlement deferred); and
- (c) payable to a pensioner as part of his Category A or Category B retirement pension by virtue of an order made under section 120(3) or Article 64 of the Order, corresponding to an order made by the Secretary of State under section 126A of the Social Security Act 1975(4) or section 63 of the Social Security Act 1986 respectively,

shall in each case be increased by 4.1 per cent. of their amount apart from this order.

(4) Sums which are payable by virtue of Article 37(6) of the Pensions Order(5) (which provides for increases in a person's guaranteed minimum pension if payment of his occupational pension is postponed after he attains pensionable age) to a person who is also entitled to a Category A or

(1) Section 14(6) was amended by paragraph 21(b) of Schedule 5 to the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, paragraph 5 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, paragraph 53 of Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and Schedule 9 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1989

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(3) Section 120 was amended by the Schedule to the *Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 (S. I. 1977/610 (N. I. 11))*, paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, Article 9(5) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985, Schedule 10 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and Schedule 2 to the *Redundancy Fund (Abolition) (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S. I. 1991/196 (N. I. 2))*

(4) *1975 c. 14*; section 126A was inserted by section 12 of the Social Security Act 1979 (*c. 18*) and repealed by Schedule 11 to the Social Security Act 1986

(5) Article 37(6) was amended by Article 4(2) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977

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Category B retirement pension (including sums payable by virtue of Article 38(3) of that Order)(6), shall be increased by—

- (a) 4.1 per cent. of their amount apart from this order where the increase under Article 37(6) is attributable to earnings factors for the tax year 1987/1988 and earlier tax years; and
- (b) 1.1 per cent. of their amount apart from this order where the increase under Article 37(6) is attributable to earnings factors for the tax year 1988/1989 and subsequent tax years(7)

(6) Article 38(3) was substituted by Article 11(3)(b) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986
(7) See Article 64(2) and (4) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and the [Guaranteed Minimum Pensions Increase \(No. 2\) Order \(Northern Ireland\) 1991 \(S. R. 1991 No. 538\)](#). Paragraph (2) provides for the increases to be paid as part of a Category A or Category B retirement pension