
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 111

**The Housing Benefit (General) (Amendment
No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Amendment of regulation 95 of the principal Regulations

14. After regulation 95(6) of the principal Regulations (withholding of benefit)(**1**) there shall be added the following paragraphs—

“(7) Where entry has been denied to the dwelling for the purpose of making a determination in accordance with Schedule 1A (determination of rent payable) the Executive may withhold payment of a rent allowance, if—

- (a) in a case where entry has been denied by the claimant, payment would have been made either to the claimant or directly to his landlord, or
- (b) in a case where entry has been denied by the landlord, direct payment would have been made to the landlord,

and for so long as entry continues to be denied.

(8) Any reference in paragraph (7) to the Executive being denied entry to a dwelling, means a case where—

- (a) upon giving 7 days notice to the claimant or the landlord, as the case may be, of the need to obtain such entry, and
- (b) no good reason is shown why entry cannot be given,

the Executive is unable to gain entry to the dwelling for the purpose of making a determination to which that paragraph refers.”.

(1) Paragraph (6) was amended by regulation 9(b) of S.R. 1995 No. 89