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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2005 No. 580**

**The Social Security (Hospital In-Patients)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Hospital In-Patients) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation for the purposes of—

- (a) this regulation and regulations 2, 4, 6 and 7, on 10th April 2006;
- (b) regulation 3, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2006, and for the purposes of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Income Support (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987<sup>(1)</sup>;
- (c) regulation 5, in so far as it relates to a particular beneficiary, on the first day of the first benefit week to commence for that beneficiary on or after 10th April 2006, and for the purposes of this sub-paragraph “benefit week” has the same meaning as in the Jobseeker’s Allowance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996<sup>(2)</sup>; and
- (d) regulation 8—
  - (i) in so far as it relates to a beneficiary specified in sub-paragraph (b) or (c), on the day specified for that beneficiary, and
  - (ii) otherwise, on 10th April 2006.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954<sup>(3)</sup> shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

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(1) S.R. 1987 No. 459; the definition of “benefit week” was amended by regulation 2(a) of S.R. 1988 No. 318  
(2) S.R. 1996 No. 198; the definition of “benefit week” was amended by regulation 2(2) of S.R. 1996 No. 358 and regulation 2(2)(a) of S.R. 1996 No. 503  
(3) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)