

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Social Security (Incapacity for Work) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (“the principal Regulations”).

Regulation 2—

enlarges the class of welfare to work beneficiaries to whom the linking term in regulation 13A of the principal regulations applies, by amending the requirement to give notice and the definition of “immediate past period of incapacity for work”;

substitutes regulation 16 of the principal Regulations which describes persons who are treated as capable of work; and

substitutes regulation 17 of the principal Regulations which describes categories of exempt work.

Regulation 3 makes transitional provision in respect of work in a period which began before these Regulations come into operation.

Regulation 4 makes consequential revocations.

These Regulations make in relation to Northern Ireland only provision corresponding to provision contained in Regulations made by the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions in relation to Great Britain and accordingly, by virtue of section 149(3) of, and paragraph 10 of Schedule 5 to, the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992, are not subject to the requirement of section 149(2) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Social Security (Incapacity for Work) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- reg. 2(2)(a) revoked by [S.R. 2006/359](#) reg. 15Sch