STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Transfer of State Pensions and Benefits Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Transfer of State Pensions and Benefits Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 and shall come into operation on 1st June 2007.
 - (2) In these Regulations—
 - "the 1992 Act" means the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(1);
 - "the Communities' scheme" means the pension scheme provided for officials and other servants of Community institutions and bodies in accordance with regulations adopted by the Council of the European Communities(2);
 - "the Department" means the Department for Social Development;
 - "guarantee date" means the date—
 - (a) by reference to which the cash equivalent value of transferable rights is calculated; and
 - (b) which falls within a period of three months beginning with the date on which the transfer application is received by the Department;
 - "relevant benefit" means benefit under-
 - (a) sections 35 and 36 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(3) (graduated retirement benefit);
 - (b) Parts II to V and X of the 1992 Act;
 - (c) Articles 3(2) and 4 of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(4) (contribution-based jobseeker's allowance);
 - "statement of entitlement" means a written statement—
 - (a) of the amount of the cash equivalent at the guarantee date of the transferable rights which have accrued to, or in respect of, the transferor; and
 - (b) which contains details of the basis of how that amount has been calculated;
 - "transfer application" means an application referred to in regulation 3(1);
 - "transferor" means the person who has applied to the Department to transfer his transferable rights into the Communities' scheme.

^{(1) 1992} c. 7

⁽²⁾ Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No. 259/68 of 29th February 1968 (O.J. No. L 56, 4.3.68 SE 1968 p.1, 1 December 1972). The Communities' Scheme is contained in Title V, Chapter 3, Articles 77-84 and Annex VIII

^{(3) 1966} c. 6 (N.I.); sections 35 and 36 were repealed by the Social Security Act 1973 (c. 38) but are continued in force by regulation 2 of S.R. 1978 No. 105

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1995/2705 (N.I. 15); Article 3(2) was amended by paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 7 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11)); Article 4 was amended by paragraph 102 of Schedule 6 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/1506 (N.I. 10)), paragraph 4 of Schedule 7 to the Welfare Reform and Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 and paragraph 46 of Schedule 1 to the National Insurance Contributions Act 2002 (c. 19)

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- (3) References in these Regulations to—
 - (a) relevant benefits include benefits under the corresponding Acts in force in Great Britain;
 - (b) provisions of the 1992 Act or of the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(5) include references to the provisions in force in Great Britain corresponding to those provisions.