

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations amend the Housing Benefit (Decisions and Appeals) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001, the Housing Benefit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006, the Housing Benefit (Persons who have attained the qualifying age for state pension credit) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 and the Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008.

Regulations 2 to 4 make provision for the effective date of a supersession that is made as a consequence of the determination of the maximum rent (LHA) that the Northern Ireland Housing Executive is required to make on 1st April. This will take effect on 1st April or the first Monday in April if the claimant's rent is payable in weekly intervals. This ensures that any change will link into changes to other parts of the housing benefit calculation affected by the annual up-rating of benefit. The Housing Executive must also make a determination when a claimant's rent changes. Regulation 5 makes a minor technical amendment to the Housing Benefit (Executive Determinations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008 to correct an erroneous reference.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Housing Benefit (Local Housing Allowance and Executive Determinations) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2013.