#### STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2017 No. 146

# The Universal Credit (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional and Savings Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017

#### PART 1

### Limited capability for work element

#### Amendments to the Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

- **2.**—(1) The Universal Credit Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (6).
- (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation) for the definition of ""LCW element" and "LCWRA element" substitute—
  - ""LCWRA element" has the meaning in regulation 28;".
  - (3) In regulation 28 (award to include LCW and LCWRA elements)—
    - (a) in the heading for "LCW and LCWRA elements" substitute "LCWRA element";
    - (b) for paragraph (1) substitute—
      - "(1) An award of universal credit is to include an amount in respect of the fact that a claimant has limited capability for work and work-related activity ("the LCWRA element").";
    - (c) in paragraph (2) for "amounts of those elements are" substitute "amount of that element is".
    - (d) in paragraph (3) omit "work or for"; and
    - (e) for paragraph (4) substitute—
      - "(4) In the case of joint claimants, where each of them has limited capability for work and work-related activity, the award is only to include one LCWRA element.".
  - (4) In regulation 29 (period for which the LCW or LCWRA element is not to be included)—
    - (a) in the heading and in paragraphs (1), (2)(a) and (3)(a) omit "LCW or";
    - (b) in paragraph (5)(b)(i) omit "or the work-related activity component"; and
    - (c) omit paragraph (6).
  - (5) For regulation 30(4) (award to include the carer element) substitute—
    - "(4) Where an amount would, apart from this paragraph, be included in an award in relation to a claimant by virtue of paragraphs (1) to (3), and the claimant has limited capability for work and work-related activity (and, in the case of joint claimants, the LCWRA element has not been included in respect of the other claimant), only the LCWRA element may be included in respect of the claimant."

- (6) In regulation 38 (amounts of elements)—
  - (a) in paragraph (1) for "LCW and LCWRA elements" substitute "LCWRA element"; and
  - (b) in the table—
    - (i) for the row "LCW and LCWRA elements" substitute "LCWRA element";
    - (ii) omit the row under "LCWRA element" (as amended by paragraph (i)) showing the amount for limited capability for work.