STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2021 No. 267

The Social Security Benefits (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021

Amendment of the Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance and Employment and Support Allowance (Claims and Payments) Regulations

- **3.**—(1) The Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payment, Jobseeker's Allowance and Employment and Support Allowance (Claims and Payments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016(1) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (5).
 - (2) In Regulation 42 (Payment of universal credit), after paragraph (6), insert—
 - "(6A) The Department may pay arrears of universal credit in instalments where—
 - (a) the Department considers it is necessary for protecting the interests of the claimant or, in the case of joint claimants, either of the claimants; and
 - (b) the claimant agrees, or in the case of joint claimants, both claimants agree, that those arrears must be paid in instalments. ".
 - (3) In Regulation 43 (Payment of personal independence payment), after paragraph (3), insert—
 - "(4) The Department may pay arrears of personal independence payment in instalments where—
 - (a) the department considers it is necessary for protecting the interests of the claimant; and
 - (b) the claimant agrees that those arrears may be paid in instalments.".
- (4) In Regulation 46 (Payment of an employment and support allowance), after paragraph 10, insert—
 - "(11) The Department may pay arrears of employment and support allowance in instalments where—
 - (a) the department considers it is necessary for protecting the interests of the claimant; and
 - (b) the claimant agrees that those arrears may be paid in instalments.".
 - (5) In Regulation 47 (Payment of a jobseeker's allowance), after paragraph 6, insert—
 - "(7) The Department may pay arrears of jobseeker's allowance in instalments where—
 - (a) the department considers it is necessary for protecting the interests of the claimant; and
 - (b) the claimant agrees that those arrears may be paid in instalments.".

Commencement Information

II Reg. 3 in operation at 18.10.2021, see reg. 1

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Social Security Benefits (Claims and Payments) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021, Section 3.