

Residential Qualifications.

MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE AND THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR, ACTING JOINTLY AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION 23 (1) OF THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925.

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The National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Ministry of Labour, acting jointly and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sub-section (1) of Section 23 of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, and by the Contributory Pensions (Joint Committee) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1925, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Contributory Pensions (Residential Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1925, and shall come into operation on the fourth day of January, 1926.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. In ascertaining for the purposes of sub-section (1) of Section 23 of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, whether the person in respect of whose insurance a pension arises was resident in Northern Ireland for the period of two years mentioned in the sub-section, or whether his last employment was in Northern Ireland:

(1) No account shall be taken of employment outside Northern Ireland or of residence outside Northern Ireland due to such employment—

- (a) in the case of a person employed outside Northern Ireland by the same person by whom he was, immediately before, employed in Northern Ireland (including a person on loan by his employer to another employer for employment outside Northern Ireland), during a period of twelve months from the date on which he ceased to be employed in Northern Ireland;
- (b) in the case of any other person employed outside Northern Ireland, for a period of six months from the date when he ceased to be employed in Northern Ireland, if during that period he had a wife or child resident in Northern Ireland.

(2) No account shall be taken of residence outside Northern Ireland in the case of a person who still being insured at the time a right to a pension would otherwise arise in respect of him is proved to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Labour to have been at the time of his departure from Northern Ireland incapable of work due to some specific disease or bodily or mental disablement during the period with respect to which the Ministry are satisfied that he was so incapable of work.

3. The proviso to sub-section (1) of Section 23 aforesaid, which requires that the widow or child to or in respect of whom a widow's or orphan's pension arising at the commencement of the said Act would, apart from the section, have been payable shall have been resident in Northern Ireland for the period therein mentioned, shall not apply to the widow or child claiming such a pension in respect of the insurance of a sailor, soldier or airman if the residence of the widow or child outside Northern Ireland was attributable to the service of the sailor, soldier or airman.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 31st day of December, in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

W. F. Wackrill,

(L.S.)

Secretary to the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour this 31st day of December, in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

(L.S.)

H. Conacher.

Secretary to the Ministry of Labour.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this 31st day of December, in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

G. C. Duggan,

(L.S.)

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