

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 21st day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

(L.S.) (Signed): *Kenneth Curtis,*  
Acting Secretary to the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 21st day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

(L.S.) (Signed): *John S. Godden,*  
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

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### Duration of Insurance.

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (DURATION OF INSURANCE) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931, DATED 24TH NOVEMBER, 1931, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1924 TO 1931.

1931. No. 131.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1924 to 1931, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Duration of Insurance) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1931, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the first day of May, 1931.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them :—

“ the Act of 1928 ” means the National Health Insurance Act, 1928, as applied to Northern Ireland by the National Health Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1928, and the National Health Insurance (Extension of Enactments) Order (Northern Ireland), 1928, made thereunder.

“ the Act of 1931 ” means the National Health Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1931.

“ the principal Act ” means the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, as amended by subsequent enactments.

“ the Ministry ” means the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

“ employment ” means employment within the meaning of the principal Act, and “ employed ” has a corresponding meaning.

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

3. For the purpose of Section 1 of the Act of 1931 the time within which a person is required—

- (a) to prove that throughout the period mentioned in the said Section he was, when not employed, either available for but unable to obtain employment or incapable of work ; or
- (b) to give notice of the disease or disablement,

shall in each case be the period ending on the date six months after the date on which he would, but for the provisions of the said Section, or of the National Health Insurance (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1930, as the case may be, have ceased to be insured under the provisions of Section 3 of the Principal Act or of that Section as applied by the National Health Insurance (Transitional) Regulations, 1929 (S.R. & O. 1929, No. 830) and the Provisional Regulations dated the seventh day of December, 1929, and cited as the National Health Insurance (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1929, or by any Regulations superceding those Regulations :

Provided that—

- (i) the Ministry, if satisfied that the person had a reasonable excuse for failing to furnish proof or to give notice as aforesaid within the said period, may extend the period by such further period, not being more than six months as it may determine, and
- (ii) any disease or disablement in respect of which sickness benefit is payable by virtue of the proviso to Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the principal Act, or would, had the insured person not been otherwise disqualified, have been so payable, shall be deemed to be a disease or disablement of which notice was given within the prescribed time ; so however that where benefit is, or would be, payable under the said proviso up to a date<sup>a</sup>

earlier than that on which the notice was given, notice shall be deemed to have been given within the prescribed time only as respects the period up to the last date for which benefit is or would be so payable, and the incapacity for work by reason of any disease or disablement in respect of which notice is so deemed to have been given within the prescribed time shall be deemed to have been proved within the prescribed time.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 24th day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

(L.S.)

*Kenneth Curtis,*  
Acting Secretary to the National  
Health Insurance Joint Committee.

### Economy.

ORDER IN COUNCIL MADE UNDER THE ECONOMY ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1931, WITH RESPECT TO NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

1931. No. 152.

BY THE GOVERNOR AND PRIVY COUNCIL OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

(SIGNED) ABERCORN.

WHEREAS by the Economy Act (Northern Ireland), 1931, it is enacted that the Governor of Northern Ireland may, in respect of certain services, including National Health Insurance, make such Orders in the Privy Council of Northern Ireland as appear to the said Governor to be expedient for the purposes of effecting economies in the expenditure falling to be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament, or out of any fund established by the enactments relating to any of the said services, and of effecting improvements in the arrangements for meeting such expenditure :

And whereas it is enacted by the said Act that such Orders may (among other things) make provision—

for altering the respective proportions in which expenditure in respect of any such service is to be defrayed out of any fund so established as aforesaid and out of moneys provided by Parliament, and for making transfers and adjustments between any such funds or between any such fund and any other statutory fund ; and

for the modification or termination of statutory or contractual rights, obligations and restrictions subsisting at the date when the provisions of the Order take effect :