

- (2) that in any period of four out of any five consecutive insurance years falling within the period of the last ten complete insurance years immediately preceding the date on which he makes a claim for benefit there have been actually paid in respect of him at least 150 contributions under or in pursuance of the Acts.

For the purpose of calculating the said number of contributions—

- (a) each week during which such worker was serving as a seaman, marine, soldier, or airman, and was a person to whom section 96 of the United Kingdom Act applies, or would have applied if the date of his discharge had been after the 30th day of June, 1927, shall be treated as one contribution, and
- (b) each week during the whole or any part of which such worker was employed in employment that was insurable under the provisions of a special scheme shall be treated as one contribution, so however that no week shall be so treated if a contribution has also been paid in respect of that person for that week under the general provisions of the Acts.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 23rd day of August, 1935.

(L.S.)

R. R. Bowman,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of
Labour for Northern Ireland.

Crediting of Contributions.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (CREDITING OF CONTRIBUTIONS) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1935, DATED THE 29TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1935, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934 (24 AND 25 GEO. V, CHAPTER 12).

1935: No. 133.

The Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland by virtue of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1934, and of all other powers in that behalf after consultation with the Ministry of Education and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Crediting of Contributions) Regulations (Northern

Ireland), 1935, and shall come into force on the 3rd day of September, 1935.

(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 these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say :—

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

“School Authority” means local Education Authority, governing body, School Committee, or person or persons responsible for the management of a school attendance at which may be reckoned for the purposes of crediting contributions under these Regulations.

“Whole-time education” does not include education received :—

- (a) at a school certified by the Ministry of Education under Part IX of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 ; or
- (b) at an authorised course within the meaning of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1934 ;

but save as aforesaid means education received at any school conducted under Regulations made by the Ministry of Education and in respect of which a grant is payable out of monies provided by Parliament, and which involves daily attendance of the pupil at the school, otherwise than on Saturdays and on Sundays, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. for not less than four hours per day (or two hours on a school half-holiday) in accordance with the normal school time-table.

3. Any person who proves, in accordance with these Regulations, that after attaining the age at which the period of compulsory elementary education ends (hereinafter referred to as “the age aforesaid”) he has continued to receive whole-time education for a period of not less than 12 months, shall be credited with contributions as follows :—

- (a) where the period for which he has so continued is 12 months or more but less than 18 months, 10 contributions ;
- (b) where the said period is 18 months or more but less than 24 months, 15 contributions ;
- (c) where the said period is 24 months or more, 20 contributions,

Provided that for the purpose of computing the beginning of any of the periods mentioned at (a), (b) or (c) of this Article :—

- (i) a person shall, if he attains the age aforesaid during a period of holidays recognised by the school authority (hereinafter referred to as “recognised holidays”) be deemed to have attained it on the last day on which the school was in operation immediately before such holidays, or at the beginning of the period of three months before he attains that age whichever is the later.
- (ii) the Ministry may in any particular case substitute for the date on which a person attained, or would otherwise by reason of the foregoing provisions of this Article be deemed to have attained, the age aforesaid such earlier date as it may determine being a date that is neither earlier than five weeks before that person would otherwise be deemed to have attained that age, nor earlier than three months before he in fact attained it.

4. For the purpose of determining whether a person is continuing or has continued to receive whole-time education after attaining the age aforesaid, such of the following periods as occur after a person has attained, or is treated for the purposes of the preceding Article as having attained, that age shall be disregarded :—

- (a) periods of absence by reason of recognised holidays which occur before the person concerned has ceased to receive whole-time education ;
- (b) periods of absence owing to personal sickness or to infectious disease in the home or in the school or elsewhere, provided that any period of absence longer than 2 weeks shall be certified to be necessary by a doctor ;
- (c) periods of absence on not more than 6 occasions in any period of 12 months and not exceeding one day on each occasion ;
- (d) periods of absence not exceeding one month in the aggregate in any one of the following periods that is to say :—
 - (i) the period between the Midsummer and next succeeding Christmas recognised holidays ;
 - (ii) the period between the Christmas and next succeeding Easter recognised holidays ;
 - (iii) the period between the Easter and next succeeding Midsummer recognised holidays ;
 in respect of which the School Authority certifies that there was good cause for such absence.

5. Where a person desires to be credited with contributions under these Regulations, he shall :—

- (a) make application to the Ministry (in such form as the Ministry may from time to time direct) not later than 6 months after the date on which he ceases to continue to receive whole-time education after attaining the age aforesaid or within such further period as the Ministry may for good cause allow in any particular case ;
- (b) if required so to do, furnish a certificate of his birth or such other evidence as to age as the Ministry may direct or may for good cause accept as sufficient in any particular case ; and
- (c) furnish such other evidence as to the fulfilment of the conditions which entitle him to a credit of contributions under these Regulations as the Ministry may require.

6. Every School Authority shall supply to the Ministry :—

- (a) such of the particulars set out in the Schedule hereto as the Ministry may require ;

provided that the Ministry may, if in any case it thinks necessary, require further or better particulars ; and

- (b) any information in their possession as to the date of birth of a person making a claim to be credited with contributions.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 29th day of August, 1935.

(L.S.)

H. Conacher,
Secretary to the Ministry of Labour
for Northern Ireland.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this thirtieth day of August, 1935.

(L.S.)

G. C. Duggan,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry
of Finance.

SCHEDULE.

- (1) The dates of commencement and termination of recognised holidays.
- (2) The dates prescribed under Section 34 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, as the dates of commencing and terminating school attendance.
- (3) The dates on which a person who has claimed to be credited with contributions commenced and terminated attendance for whole-time education at the schools under the control of the School Authority.
- (4) Any periods during which a person who has claimed to be credited with contributions has failed to attend at school for causes other than those set out in Article 4, and the reasons for such failure, or if there were no such periods a certificate to that effect.