

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations, which are made in consequence of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland), 1957, increase the rates of benefit payable under certain regulations made under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, in order to bring them into conformity with the higher rates of benefits payable directly under that Act by virtue of the Act of 1957. Provision is made in relation to the payment of additional benefit in the case of persons not residing in Northern Ireland. The remaining provisions are of a minor or consequential character.

**Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions
Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957**

REGULATIONS, DATED 1ST AUGUST, 1957, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

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The Ministry of Labour and National Insurance, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 28 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946(a), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1955(b) (hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations") and shall come into operation on the 5th August, 1957.

Amendment of regulation 17 of the principal regulations

2.—(1) Regulation 17 of the principal regulations (which relates to persons not resident in Northern Ireland) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation and shall accordingly have effect as set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

(2) At the end of the said regulation 17, the following provision shall be added:—

"(6) For the purposes of any disqualification contained in the said regulation 24, the said regulation 13 or this regulation for the receipt of additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance, a retirement pension by virtue of a

widow's own insurance to which she becomes entitled by virtue of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 2 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1957(a), (which paragraph provides that in certain cases a widow may have account taken of her husband's contributions in calculating the yearly average of the contributions paid by or credited to her for the purpose of her right to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance) shall be treated as if it were a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this 1st day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.)

William Allen,

Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 1st day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.)

W. W. Arthur,

Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2(1)

REGULATION 17 OF THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS AS AMENDED*

Persons not resident in Northern Ireland

17.—(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of these or any other regulations, but subject to the provisions of this regulation, if a person is not resident in Northern Ireland immediately before the 25th April, 1955, then unless and until that person becomes resident in Northern Ireland the following provisions shall apply:—

- (a) if immediately before the said 25th April that person is entitled to a retirement pension or a contributory old age pension, he shall be disqualified for receiving any additional retirement pension:

Provided that, where a woman and her husband are then both not resident in Northern Ireland and she is not, but her husband is, then so entitled, she shall, unless and until she becomes so resident, be disqualified for receiving any additional widow's benefit or additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance;

(a) 1957. c. 7.

* The words added by these regulations are shown in italics.

- (b) if immediately before the said 25th April that person is entitled to a widow's allowance, a widowed mother's allowance or a widow's pension, that person shall be disqualified for receiving any additional widow's benefit or additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance.

(2) Notwithstanding as aforesaid, if a person is not resident in Northern Ireland immediately before the said 25th April but that person is entitled to a guardian's allowance in respect of a child immediately before that date, any person who would otherwise be entitled to any additional guardian's allowance in respect of that child shall be disqualified for receiving such addition in respect of that child unless and until the child becomes (or is) included in the family of a person who is resident in Northern Ireland.

(3) For the purposes of the foregoing provisions of this regulation, references to additional benefit of any description are to be construed as referring to additional benefit of that description by virtue (either directly or indirectly) of any provision of the Act of 1955 or any regulations made in consequence of that Act.

(4) The disqualifications for the receipt of additional benefit by virtue of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1951, contained in regulation 24, as amended, of the Increase of Benefit Regulations, 1951, of additional benefit by virtue of the Family Allowances and National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1952, contained in regulation 13 of the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952, and of additional benefit by virtue of the Act of 1955 contained in this regulation, shall not apply—

- (a) to a person for any period on or after the said 25th April during which he is in Northern Ireland; or
- (b) to a woman who, immediately before the said 25th April, is entitled to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance or to a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance, in relation to a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance, or to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance, as the case may be, to which she thereafter becomes entitled.

(5) For the purposes of this regulation, a person shall be treated as entitled to any benefit immediately before the said 25th April if he would then have been so entitled but for any one or more of the following causes, namely:—

- (a) any delay or failure to make a claim;
- (b) any disqualification for the receipt of benefit;
- (c) any provision of either the principal Act, or any regulations made thereunder, relating to earnings;
- (d) the cohabitation of a widow with a man as his wife;
- (e) the absence of any child from Northern Ireland; or

- (f) the provisions of subsection (4) of section 20 of the principal Act (which relates to the disentitlement of a woman to more than one retirement pension for the same period).

(6) *For the purposes of any disqualification contained in the said regulation 24, the said regulation 13 or this regulation for the receipt of additional retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance, a retirement pension by virtue of a widow's own insurance to which she becomes entitled by virtue of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 2 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1957, (which paragraph provides that in certain cases a widow may have account taken of her husband's contributions in calculating the yearly average of the contributions paid by or credited to her for the purpose of her right to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance) shall be treated as if it were a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance.*

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These regulations amend the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1955. Under section 2(1) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1957, a widow who immediately before attaining pensionable age is entitled to widow's benefit no longer becomes entitled to a retirement pension by virtue of her husband's insurance, but is allowed for certain periods to elect to have account taken of her husband's contributions in calculating her yearly average for the purpose of her right to a retirement pension by virtue of her own insurance. A widow resident abroad when benefit rates were increased in 1951, 1952 or 1955 is under the existing regulations precluded from obtaining by virtue of her husband's insurance the increased rate of retirement pension then enacted unless she subsequently becomes resident in Northern Ireland. The present regulations apply this provision to a retirement pension payable under section 2(1) by virtue of taking account of her husband's contributions.

Overlapping Benefits Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957

REGULATIONS, DATED 15TH NOVEMBER, 1957, MADE BY THE NATIONAL INSURANCE JOINT AUTHORITY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

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The National Insurance Joint Authority, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 29 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland),