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**The Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Amendment
Regulations 2021**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>25th May 2021</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>		<i>27th May 2021</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st August 2021</i>

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 13 of the Social Security Act 1988(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 13(2) of the Social Security Act 1988, the Scottish Ministers have consulted the National Assembly for Wales.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 and come into force on 1 August 2021.

Amendments to the Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Regulations 2019

2. The Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Regulations 2019(b) are amended in accordance with regulations 3, 4 and 5.

3. In regulation 10(1) (kinds of assistance)—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£16,190” substitute “£16,480”,
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b)(i), for “£7,320” substitute “£7,500”,
- (c) in sub-paragraph (c), for “£311” substitute “£317”, and
- (d) in sub-paragraph (h), in both place where it occurs, for “£610” substitute “£625”.

4. In regulation 13 (value of benefit)—

- (a) in paragraph (1), for “£4.25” substitute “£4.50”,
- (b) in paragraph (2)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£8.50” substitute “£9.00”,
 - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£4.25” substitute “£4.50”, and

(a) 1988 c.7. Section 13 was substituted by section 185(1) of the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c.43) and amended by section 27(5) of the Scotland Act 2016 (c.11). The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46) as read with section 32 of the 2016 Act.

(b) S.S.I. 2019/193.

(c) in paragraph (3), for “£8.50” substitute “£9.00”.

5. In regulation 20(4) (transitional arrangements), for “£4.25” substitute “£4.50”.

St Andrew’s House,
Edinburgh
25th May 2021

BEN MACPHERSON
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (S.S.I. 2019/193) (“the 2019 Regulations”) which make provision for a scheme to provide benefits for pregnant women, mothers and children. These Regulations provide for an increase in various thresholds and values of the benefits payable under the scheme set out in the 2019 Regulations.

Regulation 3 increases the thresholds below which qualifying forms of assistance allow relevant persons to qualify for the Best Start Foods scheme.

Regulations 4 and 5 increase the amounts of the various values at which Best Start Food benefits are paid.

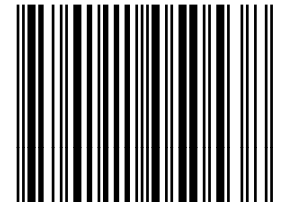
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