

# Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992

# **1992 CHAPTER 7**

# PART V

# BENEFIT FOR INDUSTRIAL INJURIES

## Disablement pension

## 103 Disablement pension.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, an employed earner shall be entitled to disablement pension if he suffers as the result of the relevant accident from loss of physical or mental faculty such that the assessed extent of the resulting disablement amounts to not less than 14 per cent. or, on a claim made before 19th November 1986, 20 per cent.
- (2) In the determination of the extent of an employed earner's disablement for the purposes of this section there may be added to the percentage of the disablement resulting from the relevant accident the assessed percentage of any present disablement of his—
  - (a) which resulted from any other accident <sup>F1</sup>... arising out of and in the course of his employment, being employed earner's employment, and
  - (b) in respect of which a disablement gratuity was not paid to him after a final assessment of his disablement,

(as well as any percentage which may be so added in accordance with regulations under subsection (2) of section 109 below made by virtue of subsection (4)(b) of that section).

- (3) Subject to subsection (4) below, where the assessment of disablement is a percentage between 20 and 100 which is not a multiple of 10, it shall be treated—
  - (a) if it is a multiple of 5, as being the next higher percentage which is a multiple of 10, and

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(b) if it is not a multiple of 5, as being the nearest percentage which is a multiple of 10,

and where the assessment of disablement on a claim made on or after 19th November 1986 is less than 20 per cent., but not less than 14 per cent., it shall be treated as 20 per cent.

- (4) Where subsection (2) above applies, subsection (3) above shall have effect in relation to the aggregate percentage and not in relation to any percentage forming part of the aggregate.
- (5) In this Part of this Act "assessed", in relation to the extent of any disablement, means assessed in accordance with Schedule 6 to this Act; and for the purposes of that Schedule there shall be taken to be no relevant loss of faculty when the extent of the resulting disablement, if so assessed, would not amount to 1 per cent.
- (6) A person shall not be entitled to a disablement pension until after the expiry of the period of 90 days (disregarding Sundays) beginning with the day of the relevant accident.
- (7) Subject to subsection (8) below, where disablement pension is payable for a period, it shall be paid at the appropriate weekly rate specified in Schedule 4, Part V, paragraph 1.
- (8) Where the period referred to in subsection (7) above is limited by reference to a definite date, the pension shall cease on the death of the beneficiary before that date.

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Words in s. 103(2)(a) repealed (31.10.2016) by The Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/2006), arts. 2(2), 70(1)(b); S.R. 2016/234, art. 3(2)(a)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

 C1 S. 103(6) modified (6.4.2006) by The Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 (S.R. 1986/179), art. 18B(2)(a) (as inserted by S.R. 2006/96, regs. 1, 2(3))

#### **104** Increase where constant attendance needed.

- (1) Where a disablement pension is payable in respect of an assessment of 100 per cent., then, if as the result of the relevant loss of faculty the beneficiary requires constant attendance, the weekly rate of the pension shall be increased by an amount, not exceeding the appropriate amount specified in Schedule 4, Part V, paragraph 2 determined in accordance with regulations by reference to the extent and nature of the attendance required by the beneficiary.
- (2) An increase of pension under this section shall be payable for such period as may be determined at the time it is granted, but may be renewed from time to time.
- (3) The Department may by regulations direct that any provision of sections 64 to 67 above shall have effect, with or without modifications, in relation to increases of pension under this section.
- (4) In subsection (3) above, "modifications" includes additions and omissions.

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#### **105** Increase for exceptionally severe disablement.

(1) Where a disablement pension is payable to a person—

- (a) who is or, but for having received medical or other treatment as an in-patient in a hospital or similar institution, would be entitled to an increase of the weekly rate of the pension under section 104 above, and the weekly rate of the increase exceeds the amount specified in Schedule 4, Part V, paragraph 2(a); and
- (b) his need for constant attendance of an extent and nature qualifying him for such an increase at a weekly rate in excess of that amount is likely to be permanent,

the weekly rate of the pension shall, in addition to any increase under section 104 above, be further increased by the amount specified in Schedule 4, Part V, paragraph 3.

(2) An increase under this section shall be payable for such period as may be determined at the time it is granted, but may be renewed from time to time.

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-	Act modified by S.R. 2024/21 art.002(2)(b)
	nole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those
pro	visions):
_	s. 167ZZ10(5) inserted by 2022 c. 5 (N.I.) s. 4 Sch. Pt. 2 para. 38
_	s. 1(6)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2024/377 reg. 5(2)
_	s. 4C(5)(i)(j) repealed by 2008 c. 1 (N.I.) Sch. 4 para. 41(3)(c)Sch. 6 Pt. 7
_	s. 5A para. 2 sum modified by S.R. 2022/231 art. 4(4)
_	s. 11A(eb) inserted by 2021 c. 26 Sch. 27 para. 14
_	s. 30B(3)(b) word substituted by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I.) Sch. 2 Pt. 3 para. 14(b)
-	s. 30B(4)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) Sch. 9 para. 3
-	s. 30B(4)(aa) word repealed by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) Sch. 12 Pt. 8
-	s. 35(1)(e) and word inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(2)(a)
-	s. 35(3)(za) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(2)(b)
_	s. 45(2A)(a) words substituted by 2012 c. 3 (N.I.) Sch. 3 para. 1(3)(b)
_	s. 45(2A)(b) substituted by 2012 c. 3 (N.I.) Sch. 3 para. 1(3)(c)
_	s. 46(5)(6) added by 2008 c. 13 (N.I.) Sch. 3 para. 6(3)
_	s. 46(5)(a) words substituted by 2012 c. 3 (N.I.) Sch. 3 para. 2
_	s. 47(4A) inserted by 2008 c. 13 (N.I.) s. 81(6)
_	s. 83A substituted for ss. 83, 84 by S.I. 1995/3213 (N.I.) Sch. 2 Pt. 2 para. 2
_	s. 83A(1) words substituted by 2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90(a)
-	s. 83A(2) words inserted by 2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90(b)
_	s. 83A(3) words inserted by 2004 c. 33 Sch. 24 para. 90(b)
_	s. 123(1)(ea) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 65(2)(a)
-	s. 123(1)(ga) inserted by 2010 c. 13 (N.I.) s. 5(1)(a)
_	s. 123(1C) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 65(2)(b)
-	s. 123(6A)(6B) inserted by 2010 c. 13 (N.I.) s. 5(1)(b)
_	s. 123A inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 65(3)
_	s. 123A transfer of functions by S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 4 Pt. 1
_	s. 123A(2) words omitted by S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 38 s. 122A(4)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 28
-	s. 123A(4)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2016/76 Sch. 6 para. 38 s. 129B-129F inserted (temp. until 31.12.2010) by 2007 c. 2 (N.I.) s. 31(1)
-	s. 129B-129F inserted (temp. until 51.12.2010) by 2007 c. 2 (N.I.) s. 51(1) s. 134(2A) inserted by 2010 c. 13 (N.I.) s. 15(2)
_	s. $136(4)(ca)$ inserted by 2010 c. $13(N.I.)$ s. $15(2)$ s. $136(4)(ca)$ inserted by 2010 c. $13(N.I.)$ s. $15(6)$
_	s. 136(4A) inserted by 2010 c. 13 (N.I.) s. 15(0)
_	s. 146(2A) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) Sch. 3 para. 3(c)
_	s. 160(2)(aa) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(3)(a)
_	s. 160(9)(da) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(3)(b)
_	s. 167ZA(2)(ba) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(4)(a)
_	s. 167ZA(3A) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(4)(b)
_	s. 167ZB(2)(ba) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(5)(a)
_	s. 167ZB(3A) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(5)(b)
_	s. 167ZE(2A) inserted by 2015 c. 1 (N.I.) s. 12(3)(b)
_	s. 167ZE(2B) inserted by 2015 c. 1 (N.I.) s. 12(3)(c)
_	s. 167ZL(2)(ba) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(6)(a)
_	s. 167ZL(8)(za) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 68(6)(c)
_	s. 167ZU(2)(ca) inserted by S.I. 2015/2006 (N.I.) art. 69(2)

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