



Pension Schemes (Northern Ireland) Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 49

[^{F1}PART IVA

REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PENSION CREDIT BENEFIT

CHAPTER I

PENSION CREDIT BENEFIT UNDER OCCUPATIONAL SCHEMES

[^{F1}97B Interpretation.

In this Chapter—

“scheme” means an occupational pension scheme to which this Chapter applies;

“pension credit rights” means rights to future benefits under a scheme which are attributable (directly or indirectly) to a pension credit;

“pension credit benefit”, in relation to a scheme, means the benefits payable under the scheme to or in respect of a person by virtue of rights under the scheme attributable (directly or indirectly) to a pension credit;

[^{F2}“normal benefit age”, in relation to a pension credit benefit for a member of a scheme, is the earliest age at which the member is entitled to receive the benefit without adjustment for taking it early or late (disregarding any special provision as to early payment on the grounds of ill-health or otherwise);

“normal pension age”, in relation to a benefit for a member of a scheme, means the earliest age at which the member is entitled to receive the benefit without adjustment for taking it early or late (disregarding any special provision as to early payment on the grounds of ill-health or otherwise);]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 4A Chapters 1, 2 (ss. 97A-97Q) inserted (1.12.1999 for certain purposes and otherwise 1.12.2000) by S.I. 1999/3147 (N.I. 11), **arts. 1(5)(a)**, 34; S.R. 2000/133, art. 2(3), **Sch. Pt. IV**
- F2** Words in s. 97B substituted (16.1.2016) by **Pension Schemes Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 1)**, **ss. 46(2)**, 52(1)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to savings in S.R. 2016/106 for effects of 2015 c. 5 (N.I.), Sch. 13 by [S.R. 2016/162 art. 5](#)
- specified provision(s) savings for effects of 2015 c. 5 (N.I.), Sch. 13 by [S.R. 2016/106 art. 2](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act power to modify conferred by [S.I. 2005/255 \(N.I.\) art. 281\(3\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 21A inserted by [2008 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 4 para. 9](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 9 together with the inserted s. 21A were repealed (6.4.2012) by 2008 c. 13 (N.I.), ss. 85(2)(b), 118(1), Sch. 10 Pt. 3 (with s. 73); S.R. 2012/119, art. 2(a)(c))
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- s. 23A inserted by [2008 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 4 para. 10](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 10 together with the inserted s. 23A were repealed (6.4.2012) by 2008 c. 13 (N.I.), ss. 85(2)(b), 118(1), Sch. 10 Pt. 3 (with s. 73); S.R. 2012/119, art. 2(a)(c))
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- s. 42(1A)(1B) inserted by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 82\(2\)](#)
- s. 42(1A) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 7](#)
- s. 42A inserted by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) s. 82\(3\)](#)
- s. 42A repealed by [2015 c. 5 \(N.I.\) Sch. 12 para. 79](#)
- s. 42A heading words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 8\(b\)](#)
- s. 42A(1)(c) words substituted by [2012 c. 3 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 8\(a\)](#)
- s. 67(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) s. 39\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 78A inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 2](#)
- s. 79(1A)-(1AC) substituted for s. 79(1A) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 3](#)
- s. 80-80F substituted for s. 80 by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 4](#)
- s. 81A inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
- s. 82A82B inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 6](#)
- s. 90(2A)(a)(viii) inserted by [2015 c. 5 \(N.I.\) Sch. 17 para. 19\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 90 already substituted (3.3.2015 for specified purposes, 6.4.2015 in so far as not already in force) by Pension Schemes Act 2015 (c. 8), s. 89(1)(b)(3)(b), Sch. 4 para. 54 (with s. 87))
- s. 90(2A)(a)(ix) inserted by [2015 c. 5 \(N.I.\) Sch. 18 para. 9\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 90 already substituted (3.3.2015 for specified purposes, 6.4.2015 in so far as not already in force) by Pension Schemes Act 2015 (c. 8), s. 89(1)(b)(3)(b), Sch. 4 para. 54 (with s. 87))
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- s. 97AI(7)(a)(x) inserted by [2015 c. 5 \(N.I.\) Sch. 17 para. 19\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 97AI(7)(b)(viii) inserted by [2015 c. 5 \(N.I.\) Sch. 17 para. 19\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 109(4)(4A) substituted for s. 109(4) by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) s. 38\(5\)](#)
- s. 141(4)(5) added by [S.I. 2005/255 \(N.I.\) art. 251](#)
- s. 142(6A) inserted by [S.I. 2005/255 \(N.I.\) Sch. 10 para. 19\(b\)](#)
- s. 170A inserted by [2008 c. 13 \(N.I.\) Sch. 9 para. 1](#)
- s. 172(2)(b)(ii)-(ix) substituted for s. 172(2)(b)(ii) by [2008 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 4 para. 33](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 4 para. 33 repealed immediately before the "abolition date" (see [2008 c. 1 \(N.I.\) s. 13](#)) by S.R. 2012/124, art. 7(2))
- Sch. 2 para. A1 inserted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 8](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 3A omitted by [2016 c. 1 \(N.I.\) Sch. 1 para. 9](#)