

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 24

#### SOCIAL SECURITY, CHILD SUPPORT AND TAX CREDITS

#### PART 9

##### AMENDMENTS OF THE CHILD SUPPORT (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1995 (S.I. 1995/ 2702 (N.I. 13))

- 128 (1) Amend paragraph (7) of Article 4 (the child maintenance bonus) as follows.
- (2) After the definition of “child maintenance” insert—
- ““couple” means—
- (a) a man and woman who are married to each other and are members of the same household;
  - (b) a man and woman who are not married to each other but are living together as husband and wife otherwise than in prescribed circumstances;
  - (c) two people of the same sex who are civil partners of each other and are members of the same household; or
  - (d) two people of the same sex who are not civil partners of each other but are living together as if they were civil partners otherwise than in prescribed circumstances;”.
- (3) In the definition of “family” for “married or unmarried couple” (in each place) substitute “couple”.
- (4) Omit the definitions of “married couple” and “unmarried couple”.