
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Income-related Benefits Schemes
(Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 1996**

Housing benefit and council tax benefit: Backdated claims

5. In regulation 72(15) of the Housing Benefit Regulations and regulation 62(16) of the Council Tax Benefit Regulations (which make provision for claims relating to past periods) for the words from “any period before” to the end there is substituted —

“a past period (a “claim for backdating”) and, from a day in that period up to the date of the claim for backdating, he had continuous good cause for his failure to make a claim, his claim in respect of that period shall be treated as made on—

(a) the first day from which he had continuous good cause; or

(b) the day 52 weeks before the date of the claim for backdating,

whichever fell later.”.