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2. (1) Subject to the following sub-paragraphs, where a rent officer...
3. (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (1A) and (2), this paragraph...
4. This paragraph applies to a tenancy entered into before—
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10. This paragraph applies to a tenancy of a housing action...
11. (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) this paragraph applies...
- 11A This paragraph applies to a shared ownership tenancy.
12. In this Schedule, “rent” shall be construed in...

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1. An excluded tenancy is any tenancy to which any of...
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4. This paragraph applies to a tenancy entered into before—
5. This paragraph applies to a regulated tenancy within the meaning...
6. This paragraph applies to a housing association tenancy which—
7. This paragraph applies to a protected occupancy or statutory tenancy...
8. This paragraph applies to a tenancy at a low rent...
9. This paragraph applies to a tenancy of any dwelling which...
10. This paragraph applies to a tenancy of a housing action...
11. (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) this paragraph applies...
12. This paragraph applies to a shared ownership tenancy.
13. In this Schedule, “rent” shall be construed in accordance with...

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- 2A In the case of a claimant who has been engaged...
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4. In a case where the claimant is a lone parent,...
5. (1) In a case to which neither paragraph 3 nor...
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8. (1) In a case where paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and...
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10. In a case to which none of the paragraphs 3...
- 10A (1) Where— (a) the claimant (or if the claimant is...

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- A4 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...
- A5 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...
2. Any payment in respect of any expenses incurred or to...
- 2A Any payment in respect of expenses arising out of the...
3. In the case of employment as an employed earner, any...
4. Where a claimant is on universal credit, income support, an...
5. Where the claimant is a member of a joint-claim couple...
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8. Any mobility supplement under article 20 of the Naval, Military...
9. Any attendance allowance.
10. Any payment to the claimant as holder of the Victoria...
11. (1) Any payment— (a) by way of an education maintenance...
12. Any payment made to the claimant by way of a...
13. (1) Any payment made pursuant to section 2 of the...
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25. (1) Any payment made to the claimant in respect of...
26. Any payment made to the claimant with whom a person...
27. Any payment made to the claimant or his partner for...
- 27A Any payment made to a claimant under section 73(1)(b) of...
28. Any payment made by a local authority in accordance with...
- 28A (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any payment (or part of...
29. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any payment received under an...
30. Any payment of income which by virtue of regulation 46...
31. Any social fund payment made pursuant to Part 8 of...
- 31A Any local welfare provision.
32. Any payment under Part 10 of the Act (Christmas bonus...

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35. (1) Any payment made under or by the Macfarlane Trust,...
36. Any payment made by the Secretary of State to compensate...
37. Any payment made by the Secretary of State to compensate...
38. Any resettlement benefit which is paid to the claimant by...
39. Any payment to a juror or witness in respect of...
40. Any community charge benefit.
41. Any payment in consequence of a reduction of council tax...
42. (1) Where the claimant occupies a dwelling as his home...
43. Any special war widows payment made under—
44. (1) Any payment or repayment made— (a) as respects England,...
45. Any payment made to such persons entitled to receive benefits...
46. Any payment made by either the Secretary of State for...
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- 47A (1) Any payment of child maintenance made or derived from...
48. Any payment made by the Secretary of State to compensate...
49. Any payment (other than a training allowance) made, whether by...
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51. Any council tax benefit.
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59. (1) Any payment of a sports award except to the...
60. Where the amount of subsistence allowance paid to a person...
61. In the case of a claimant participating in an employment...
62. Any discretionary housing payment paid pursuant to regulation 2(1) of...
63. (1) Any payment made by a local authority or by...
64. (1) £1.20 in relation to each week in which child...
65. Any payment of child benefit.
66. Any payments to a claimant made under section 49 of...
67. Any bereavement support payment under section 30 of the Pensions...
68. Any payment of carer's allowance supplement made under section 81...
69. Any early years assistance given in accordance with section 32...
70. Any funeral expense assistance given in accordance with section 34...
71. Any Scottish child payment assistance given in accordance with section...
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- A2 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...
- A3 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...
- A4 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...

- A5 Any payment made to the claimant in respect of any...
- 2. Any premises acquired for occupation by the claimant which he...
- 3. Any sum directly attributable to the proceeds of sale of...
- 4. Any premises occupied in whole or in part—
- 5. Where a claimant is on universal credit, income support, an...
- 6. Where the claimant is a member of a joint-claim couple...
- 7. Any future interest in property of any kind, other than...
- 8. (1) The assets of any business owned in whole or...
- 9. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any arrears of, or any...
- 9A (1) A payment made to rectify, or to compensate for,...
- 9B Any payment of a widowed parent's allowance made pursuant to...
- 10. Any sum— (a) paid to the claimant in consequence of...
- 11. Any sum— (a) deposited with a housing association as defined...
- 12. Any personal possessions except those which have been acquired by...
- 13. The value of the right to receive any income under...
- 14. Where the funds of a trust are derived from a...
- 14A (1) Any payment made to the claimant or the claimant's...
- 15. The value of the right to receive any income under...
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- 18. Where any payment of capital falls to be made by...
- 19. Any payment made by a local authority in accordance with...
- 19A (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any payment (or part of...
- 20. Any social fund payment made pursuant to Part 8 of...
- 20A Any local welfare provision.
- 21. Any refund of tax which falls to be deducted under...
- 22. Any capital which by virtue of regulation 41 or 64...
- 23. Where any payment of capital is made in a currency...
- 24. (1) Any payment made under or by the Macfarlane Trust,...
- 25. (1) Where a claimant has ceased to occupy what was...
- 26. Any premises where the claimant is taking reasonable steps to...
- 27. Any premises which the claimant intends to occupy as his...
- 28. Any premises which the claimant intends to occupy as his...
- 29. Any payment made by the Secretary of State to compensate...
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- 33. The value of the right to receive any rent except...
- 34. Any payment in kind which is a Grenfell Tower payment,...
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- 37. Any payment in consequence of a reduction of council tax...
- 38. Any grant made to the claimant in accordance with a...
- 39. Any arrears of supplementary pension which is disregarded under paragraph...
- 40. (1) Any payment or repayment made— (a) as respects England,...
- 41. Any payment made to such persons entitled to receive benefits...
- 41A Any payment made under Part 8A of the Act (entitlement...
- 42. Any payment made either by the Secretary of State for...
- 43. Any payment (other than a training allowance) made, whether by...
- 44. Any payment made by a local authority under section 3...
- 45. (1) Any sum of capital to which sub-paragraph (2) applies...
- 46. Any sum of capital administered on behalf of a person...

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47. Any payment to the claimant as holder of the Victoria...
48. The amount of any child maintenance bonus payable by way...
- 48A a
- 48B b
49. In the case of a person who is receiving, or...
50. (1) Any payment of a sports award for a period...
51. (1) Any payment— (a) by way of an education maintenance...
52. In the case of a claimant participating in an employment...
53. Any arrears of subsistence allowance paid as a lump sum...
54. Where an ex-gratia payment of £10,000 has been made by...
55. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the amount of any trust...
56. The amount of any payment, other than a war pension...
57. (1) Any payment made by a local authority, or by...
58. Any payment made ... regulations made under section 57 of...
59. Any payment made to the claimant pursuant to regulations under...
60. Any payment made to the claimant in accordance with regulations...
61. Any payments to a claimant made under section 49 of...
62. (1) Any bereavement support payment in respect of the rate...
63. Any payment made under or by a trust, established for...
64. Any payment made to a claimant under section 73(1)(b) of...
65. Any early years assistance given in accordance with section 32...
66. Any funeral expense assistance given in accordance with section 34...
67. Any assistance given in accordance with the Carer's Assistance (Young...
68. Any winter heating assistance given in accordance with regulations made...

SCHEDULE 7 — Extended payments of housing benefit

The conditions prescribed in this paragraph are that the Secretary...

The conditions prescribed in this paragraph are that the claimant...

(1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph and...

Where for any week— (a) a person is entitled to...

In this Schedule— “ claimant ” means a person claiming...

SCHEDULE 8 — Extended Payments (severe disablement allowance and incapacity benefit) of housing benefit

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SCHEDULE 9 — Matters to be included in decision notice

PART 1 — General

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1. The statement of matters to be included in any decision...
2. Every decision notice shall include a statement as to the...
3. Every decision notice shall include a statement as to the...
4. Every decision notice following an application for a revision in...
5. Every decision notice following an application for a revision in...
6. An authority may include in the decision notice any other...
7. Parts 2, 3 and 6 of this Schedule shall apply...
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##### PART 1 — Former pathfinder authorities

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- Sch. 1 para. 6(2)(b) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(2)(d) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(2)(c) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(a) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(b)(i) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(2)(b)(ii) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(3)(a) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(3)(b)(i) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(3)(b)(ii) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(d\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(5) sums substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(4\)\(e\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 3(1)(a) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(7\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 3(1)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(7\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 25 sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(9\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 26 sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(9\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 Pt. 4 table substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(8\)](#)Sch. 5
- Sch. 4 para. 17(1) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 4 para. 17(3)(c) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(10\)](#)
- Sch. 5 para. 56 sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(11\)](#)
- reg. 27(3)(a) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 27(3)(b) sum confirmed by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 34(c) word inserted by [S.I. 2024/377 reg. 8\(11\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 34(c) words omitted by [S.I. 2024/377 reg. 8\(11\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 39(2)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2024/377 reg. 8\(11\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 64B substituted by [S.I. 2024/341 reg. 4](#)
- reg. 74(1)(a) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- reg. 74(1)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(a) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(c) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(e\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(c) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(c) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(e\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(d) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(f\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(d) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(d) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(f\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(e) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(e) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(g\)\(ii\)](#)
- reg. 74(2)(e) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(3\)\(g\)\(iii\)](#)
- reg. 105(1B)(e) word omitted by [S.I. 2022/177 art. 9\(6\)\(b\)](#)

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

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

- Table of Contents words omitted by [S.I. 2020/618 reg. 5\(8\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The table of contents for this legislation will be dynamically updated when its provisions are revised)
- Sch. 3 para. 1 table substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(6\)\(a\)](#)Sch. 4
- Sch. 3 para. 2(1)(a) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 2(1)(b) sum substituted by [S.I. 2024/242 art. 23\(6\)\(b\)](#)