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## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# 2014 No. 516

## The Social Security Benefits Up-rating Order 2014

### PART 3

#### INCOME SUPPORT AND HOUSING BENEFIT

##### Applicable amounts for Income Support

**14.**—(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Income Support Regulations, being sums to which the Welfare Benefits Up-rating Act does not apply, shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 2 to 4 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Income Support Regulations bearing that number.

(2) In—

(a) regulations 17(1)(b)(1), 18(1)(c) and 21(1)(2); and

(b) paragraphs 13A(2)(a)(3) and 14(2)(a)(4) of Part III of Schedule 2,

the sum specified is in each case £3,000.

(3) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part I of Schedule 2(5) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 2 to this Order.

(4) In paragraph 3 of Part II of Schedule 2(6) (applicable amounts: family premium)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£17.40” substitute “£17.45”; and

(b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£17.40” substitute “£17.45”.

(5) The sums specified in Part IV of Schedule 2(7) (applicable amounts: weekly amounts of premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 3 to this Order.

(6) In paragraph 18 of Schedule 3(8) (housing costs: non-dependant deductions)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£87.75” substitute “£91.15”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£13.60” substitute “£14.15”;

(c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£126.00” substitute “£128.00”;

(d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£126.00”, “£186.00” and “£31.25” substitute “£128.00”, “£188.00” and “£32.45” respectively;

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- (1) Regulations 17(1)(b) and 18(1)(c) were omitted by [S.I. 2003/455](#). Regulation 7 of that S.I. (as amended by [S.I. 2005/2294](#)) makes transitional arrangements in connection with the introduction of tax credits.
- (2) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1994/527](#), [1996/206](#) and [2431](#), [2000/636](#), [2001/3767](#) and [2003/455](#).
- (3) Paragraph 13A was inserted by [S.I. 2000/2629](#) and amended by [S.I. 2002/3019](#), [2003/455](#), [2007/719](#) and [2011/674](#) and [2425](#).
- (4) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2007/719](#) and [2011/674](#).
- (5) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/2545](#), [1999/2555](#), [2003/455](#), [2006/718](#) and [2013/574](#).
- (6) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1996/1803](#), [1998/766](#) and [2003/455](#).
- (7) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1990/1776](#), [1996/1803](#), [2000/2629](#), [2002/2497](#) and [3019](#), [2007/719](#) and [2013/574](#).
- (8) Schedule 3 was substituted by [S.I. 1995/1613](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1995/2927](#), [1996/2518](#), [1999/3178](#), [2004/2327](#) and [2013/574](#).

- (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£186.00”, “£242.00” and “£42.90” substitute “£188.00”, “£245.00” and “£44.55” respectively;
- (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£242.00”, “£322.00” and “£70.20” substitute “£245.00”, “£326.00” and “£72.95” respectively; and
- (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£322.00”, “£401.00” and “£79.95” substitute “£326.00”, “£406.00” and “£83.05” respectively.

(7) The sums specified in any provision of the Income Support Regulations set out in column (1) of Schedule 4 to this Order are the sums set out in column (2) of that Schedule.

### **Income Support Transitional Protection**

**15.** It is directed<sup>(9)</sup> that the sums which are special transitional additions to income support payable in accordance with regulation 15 of the Income Support (Transitional) Regulations 1987<sup>(10)</sup> (special transitional addition) shall be increased by 2.7 per cent.

### **The relevant sum for Income Support**

**16.** In section 126(7) of the Contributions and Benefits Act<sup>(11)</sup> (trade disputes: the relevant sum) for “£39.00” substitute “£40.00”.

### **Housing Benefit**

**17.—**(1) The sums that are relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit Regulations, being sums to which the Welfare Benefits Up-rating Act does not apply, shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 5 and 6 to this Order; and unless otherwise stated, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Housing Benefit Regulations bearing that number.

- (2) In regulation B13(3)<sup>(12)</sup> (determination of a maximum rent (social sector))—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “14%” remains unchanged; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “25%” remains unchanged.
- (3) In regulation 27(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “£175.00” remains unchanged; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “£300.00” remains unchanged.
- (4) In regulation 74<sup>(13)</sup> (non-dependant deductions)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£87.75” substitute “£91.15”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£13.60” substitute “£14.15”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£126.00” substitute “£128.00”;
  - (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£126.00”, “£186.00” and “£31.25” substitute “£128.00”, “£188.00” and “£32.45” respectively;
  - (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£186.00”, “£242.00” and “£42.90” substitute “£188.00”, “£245.00” and “£44.55” respectively;
  - (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£242.00”, “£322.00” and “£70.20” substitute “£245.00”, “£326.00” and “£72.95” respectively;

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<sup>(9)</sup> See section 151(6) of the Administration Act.

<sup>(10)</sup> [S.I. 1987/1969](#); relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 1988/521](#) and [670](#), [1989/1626](#), [1991/1600](#) and [2013/574](#).

<sup>(11)</sup> See section 126(8) of the Contributions and Benefits Act. Relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2013/574](#).

<sup>(12)</sup> Regulation B13 was inserted by [S.I. 2012/3040](#).

<sup>(13)</sup> Regulation 74 was substituted by [S.I. 2007/2868](#). The relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2013/574](#).

- (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£322.00”, “£401.00” and “£79.95” substitute “£326.00”, “£406.00” and “£83.05” respectively.
- (5) In paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges), for “£25.85”, “£25.85”, “£13.10”, “£17.20”, “£17.20”, “£8.65” and “£3.15” substitute “£26.55”, “£26.55”, “£13.45”, “£17.65”, “£17.65”, “£8.90” and “£3.25” respectively.
- (6) In paragraph 6 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (payments in respect of fuel charges)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£25.60” substitute “£27.55”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d) for “£2.95” substitute “£3.20”; and
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£2.05” substitute “£2.20”.
- (7) The sums specified in paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 3(14) (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 5 to this Order.
- (8) In paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: family premium)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) “£22.20” remains unchanged; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£17.40” substitute “£17.45”.
- (9) The sums specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: premiums) shall be as set out in Schedule 6 to this Order.
- (10) In Part 6 of Schedule 3(15) (amount of components)—
- (a) in paragraph 25 for “£28.45” substitute “£28.75”; and
  - (b) in paragraph 26 for “£34.80” substitute “£35.75”.
- (11) In paragraph 17(1)(16) and (3)(c) of Schedule 4 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.
- (12) In paragraph 56 of Schedule 5 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.

### **Housing Benefit for certain persons over the qualifying age for State Pension Credit**

**18.—**(1) The sums relevant to the calculation of an applicable amount as specified in the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations shall be the sums set out in this article and Schedules 7 and 8 to this Order; and unless stated otherwise, any reference in this article to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to the Housing Benefit (SPC) Regulations bearing that number.

- (2) In regulation 30(3) (calculation of income on a weekly basis)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (a) “£175.00” remains unchanged; and
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) “£300.00” remains unchanged.
- (3) In regulation 55(17) (non-dependant deductions)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (1)(a) for “£87.75” substitute “£91.15”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “£13.60” substitute “£14.15”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£126.00” substitute “£128.00”;
  - (d) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “£126.00”, “£186.00” and “£31.25” substitute “£128.00”, “£188.00” and “£32.45” respectively;
  - (e) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£186.00”, “£242.00” and “£42.90” substitute “£188.00”, “£245.00” and “£44.55” respectively;

(14) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2008/1082](#) and [2013/574](#).

(15) Part 6 was inserted by [S.I. 2008/1082](#) (as amended by [S.I. 2008/2428](#)) and amended by [S.I. 2013/574](#).

(16) Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2009/2608](#) and [2010/793](#).

(17) Regulation 55 was substituted by [S.I. 2007/2869](#). The relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 2013/574](#).

- (f) in sub-paragraph (2)(d) for “£242.00”, “£322.00” and “£70.20” substitute “£245.00”, “£326.00” and “£72.95” respectively;
  - (g) in sub-paragraph (2)(e) for “£322.00”, “£401.00” and “£79.95” substitute “£326.00”, “£406.00” and “£83.05” respectively.
- (4) In paragraph 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 (ineligible service charges), for “£25.85”, “£25.85”, “£13.10”, “£17.20”, “£17.20”, “£8.65” and “£3.15” substitute “£26.55”, “£26.55”, “£13.45”, “£17.65”, “£17.65”, “£8.90” and “£3.25” respectively.
- (5) In paragraph 6 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (payments in respect of fuel charges)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a) for “£25.60” substitute “£27.55”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d) for “£2.95” substitute “£3.20”; and
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(c) for “£2.05” substitute “£2.20”.
- (6) The sums specified in Part 1 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: personal allowances) shall be as set out in Schedule 7 to this Order.
- (7) In paragraph 3(1) of Part 2 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: family premium) for “£17.40” substitute “£17.45”.
- (8) The sums specified in Part 4 of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts: amounts of premiums specified in Part 3) shall be as set out in Schedule 8 to this Order.
- (9) In paragraph 9(1) and (3)(c) of Schedule 4 (sums disregarded from claimant’s earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.
- (10) In paragraph 21 of Schedule 5(18) (amounts to be disregarded in the calculation of income other than earnings) “£17.10” remains unchanged.