## 2017 No. 206

# DAMAGES, ENGLAND AND WALES

## The Damages (Personal Injury) Order 2017

Made	24th February 2017
Laid before Parliament	27th February 2017
Coming into force	20th March 2017

The Lord Chancellor makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1 of the Damages Act  $1996(\mathbf{a})$ , having consulted the Government Actuary and the Treasury in accordance with section 1(4) of that Act:

#### Citation, commencement and extent

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Damages (Personal Injury) Order 2017 and shall come into force on 20th March 2017.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales only.

#### Rate of return

**2.** The rate of return referred to in section 1(1) of the Damages Act 1996 shall be minus 0.75 per cent.

24th February 2017

*Elizabeth Truss* Lord Chancellor Ministry of Justice

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order prescribes minus 0.75 per cent as the rate of return which, under section 1 of the Damages Act 1996, courts are required to take into account when calculating damages for future pecuniary loss in an action for personal injury.

<sup>(</sup>a) 1996 c. 48. Section 1(5) was substituted by article 4 of, and paragraph 126 of Schedule 2 to, S.I. 1999/1820. Section 1(6) was inserted by article 15(5) of, and paragraphs 54 and 55 of Part 1 of Schedule 18 to, S.I. 2010/976.

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