
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 581

**The Employment and Support Allowance
(Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional
and Savings Provision) Regulations 2017**

Amendments to the Housing Benefit Regulations 2006

- 5.—(1) The Housing Benefit Regulations 2006⁽¹⁾ are amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph (1) of regulation 2 (interpretation)—
- (a) in the definition for “main phase employment and support allowance” after “Welfare Reform Act” insert “or the claimant is a member of the work-related activity group, ”;
 - (b) in the definition for “member of the work-related activity group” for “claimant” substitute “person”.
- (3) In paragraph (8)(c)(ii) of regulation 7 (circumstances in which a person is or is not to be treated as occupying a dwelling as his home)—
- (a) omit “23 or”;
 - (b) after “of that Schedule” insert “or the claimant or the claimant’s partner is a member of the work-related activity group”.
- (4) In paragraph (8)(a) of regulation 74 (non-dependant deductions) for “or where the non-dependant is not a member of the work-related activity group” substitute “and where the non-dependant is not a member of the work-related activity group”.
- (5) In paragraph 1A(a) of Schedule 3 (applicable amounts) after “personally” insert “or the claimant is personally a member of the work-related activity group”.
- (6) In paragraph 17(2)(b)(iv)(bb) of Schedule 4 (sums to be disregarded in the calculation of earnings) omit “and is engaged in remunerative work for on average not less than 16 hours per week”.

(1) S.I. 2006/213; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2008/1042, 2008/1082, 2009/583, 2010/1907, 2013/443, 2013/630 and 2017/204.