STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 213

PENSIONS

The Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) (Amendment) Order 2020

Made	2nd March 2020
Laid before Parliament	9th March 2020
Coming into force	6th April 2020

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 1(2) of the Armed Forces (Pensions and Compensation) Act $2004(\mathbf{a})$.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) (Amendment) Order 2020 and comes into force on 6th April 2020.

Amendment of the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2011

2. The Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2011(**b**) is amended in accordance with articles 3 and 4.

Amendment of article 24A

3. In article 24A (award of armed forces independence payment)(c), in paragraph (3), for "£148.85" substitute "£151.40".

Amendment of article 24D

4. In article 24D (payment of armed forces independence payment in respect of Motability)(**d**), in paragraph (2), for "£61.20" substitute "£62.25".

Johnny Mercer Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Ministry of Defence

2nd March 2020

⁽a) 2004 c. 32.

⁽b) S.I. 2011/517: relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2013/436, 2014/412, 2015/413, 2017/247, 2018/293 and 2019/440.

⁽c) Article 24A was inserted by S.I. 2013/436 and amended by S.I. 2014/412, 2015/413, 2017/247, 2018/293 and 2019/440.

⁽d) Article 24D was inserted by S.I. 2013/436 and amended by S.I. 2014/412, 2017/247, 2018/293 and 2019/440.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/517) ("the 2011 Order"), which provides for benefits to be payable to, or in respect of, a person by reason of injury, illness or death caused wholly or partly, by service in the regular or reserve armed forces.

Article 3 amends article 24A of the 2011 Order to increase the amount of the allowance known as "the armed forces independence payment" which is designed to provide financial support to cover extra costs that a recipient of that benefit may incur as a result of a relevant injury. That amount is increased to £151.40 per week.

Article 4 amends article 24D of the 2011 Order to increase the amount that may be paid in settlement of liabilities due under an agreement between a claimant and Motability in respect of the hire or hire purchase of a vehicle. That amount is increased to £62.25 per week.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.



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