Regulations laid before the Assembly under Article 11(2) of the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, and subject to affirmative resolution of the Assembly

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2011 No. 67

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011

Made - - - 2nd March 2011

Coming into operation in accordance with regulation 1(1)

The Department for Social Development makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 3(3), 4(3) and 11(1) and (4) of the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979(a) and now vested in it(b).

Citation, commencement and application

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2011 or on the day after they are affirmed by resolution of the Assembly if later.
- (2) These Regulations shall apply in relation to any case in which a person first satisfies the conditions of entitlement to a payment under the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 on or after the day on which these Regulations come into operation.

Amendment of the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations

- **2.**—(1) The Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(**c**) are amended in accordance with paragraphs (2) to (4).
- (2) In regulations 5(2) and 7 (minimum amounts payable to dependant) for "£2,649" substitute "£2,731".
- (3) In regulation 6(1)(a) (payment where pneumoconiosis is accompanied by tuberculosis) for "£5,478", in both places where it occurs, substitute "£5,648".

⁽a) S.I. 1979/925 (N.I. 9); Articles 3 and 4 were amended by Article 22(a) and (b) of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 (S.I. 1985/1209 (N.I. 16)) and paragraph 17(2) to (4) of Schedule 3 to the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1888 (N.I. 18)) and Article 3 was amended by section 52(3) of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007 (c. 2 (N.I.))

⁽b) See Article 4(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481, the Department for Employment and Learning Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (c. 15 (N.I.)) and Article 3 of S.R. 2006 No. 192

⁽c) S.R. 1988 No. 242; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2008 No. 352 and S.R. 2010 No. 53

(4) For the Schedule substitute the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 2nd March 2011

(L.S.)

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A senior officer of the Department for Social Development

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2(4)

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Regulations 3, 4, 5 and 6

TABLE 1

- 1. This table is for the determination of payments to disabled persons under regulation 3 (or regulation 6) and for the determination of payments to dependants of deceased sufferers under regulation 4(1).
- **2.** The relevant period is the period specified in regulation 3(2) or, in the case of a disabled person to whom regulation 6 applies, the first period specified in regulation 6(1)(b).
- 3. The age of the disabled person is his age determined in accordance with regulation 3(2) or, in the case of a disabled person to whom regulation 6 applies, regulation 6(1)(b). In determining the amount payable to a dependant of a disabled person under regulation 4(1), the age to be taken for the purpose of calculating the sum to be deducted from the amount which would have been payable to the disabled person had he still been alive is the age of the deceased at his last birthday preceding his death.
- **4.** The table prescribes payments to disabled persons to whom disablement benefit is payable under section 108 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(a), or under any corresponding provision of the former Industrial Injuries Acts, or would be payable but for the disablement amounting to less than the appropriate percentage.

TABLE 1

Age of			Percer	itage ass	essment	for the r	elevant j	period		
disabled	10%	11% -	21% -	31% -	41% -	51% -	61% -	71% -	81% -	91% -
person	or less	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
37 and										
under	31,603	56,437	66,217	68,100	69,980	71,485	72,990	74,495	75,999	77,506
38	30,700	54,177	64,222	66,521	68,472	69,980	71,485	72,990	74,495	75,999
39	29,796	51,919	62,229	64,938	66,972	68,275	69,980	71,485	72,990	74,495
40	28,895	49,660	60,235	63,356	65,462	66,971	68,472	69,980	71,485	72,991
41	27,991	47,406	58,242	61,773	63,962	65,462	66,971	68,472	69,980	71,485
42	27,083	45,150	56,246	60,201	62,455	63,962	65,462	66,971	68,472	69,980
43	25,735	42,513	54,253	58,994	61,404	63,210	64,712	66,217	67,723	69,229
44	24,378	39,880	52,257	57,791	60,349	62,455	63,962	65,462	66,971	68,472
45	23,028	37,247	50,263	56,585	59,298	61,700	63,210	64,712	66,217	67,723
46	21,671	34,615	48,272	55,383	58,242	60,952	62,455	63,962	65,462	66,971
47		31,980								
48	19,151	30,926	44,699	51,771	55,383	58,088	59,597	61,101	62,602	64,113
49	17,985	29,874	43,117	49,362	53,579	55,982	57,489	58,994	60,501	62,007
50	16,818	28,820	41,567	46,955	51,771	53,875	55,383	56,886	58,390	59,896
51	15,652	27,766	39,954	44,546	49,963	51,771	53,290	54,777	56,285	57,791
52	14,486	26,713	38,376	42,138	48,156	49,660	51,171	52,673	54,177	55,680
53	13,393	24,834	35,966	40,032	46,351	48,156	49,660	51,171	52,673	54,177
54	12,302	22,953	33,558	37,929	44,546	46,656	48,156	49,660	51,171	52,673
55	11,213	21,071	31,156	35,816	42,738	45,150	46,656	48,156	49,660	51,171
56	10,120	19,188	28,745	33,711	40,936	43,642	45,150	46,656	48,156	49,660
57		17,305								
58		15,727								
59		14,145		-		-	-			
60		12,565								
61		10,985								
62	5,455		12,228							
63	5,079		10,985							
64	4,711	7,598			15,236					
65		6,697								
66	3,953	5,796	7,260	8,877		-	-	15,913		
67	3,576	4,891	6,017	7,242				13,544		16,555
68	3,478	4,736	5,812	6,943	8,449		11,569		14,577	
69	3,387	4,591	5,608	6,642	8,148	9,707		12,716		15,574
70	3,291	4,442	5,397	6,340	7,845	9,290	-			15,088
71	3,200	4,287	5,192	6,037	7,543	8,877				14,600
72	3,105	4,139	4,985	5,739	7,242	8,468				14,110
73	3,027	4,066	4,911	5,625	7,128	8,278	-	11,176		13,695
74	2,954	3,988	4,835	5,512	7,020	8,087		10,875		
75	2,880	3,915	4,761	5,397	6,902	7,901			11,569	
76	2,803	3,835	4,683	5,287	6,790	7,716		10,272		
77 and	2,731	3,761	4,610	5,171	6,678	7,524	8,749	9,975	10,818	12,040
over										

TABLE 2

- 1. This table is for the determination of payments to dependants of deceased sufferers under regulation 4(2) or (6).
- **2.** The relevant period is the period specified in regulation 3(2) or, in the case of a disabled person to whom regulation 6 applies, the first period specified in regulation 6(1)(b).
- **3.**—(1) Part A of the table prescribes payments to dependants of disabled persons who died as a result of a disease other than diffuse mesothelioma where—
 - (a) death benefit under section 108 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992 is payable;
 - (b) disablement benefit under that section or under any corresponding provision of the former Industrial Injuries Acts was payable to the disabled person immediately before he died;
 - (c) disablement benefit would have been payable to the disabled person immediately before he died but for the occurrence of one of the circumstances listed in regulation 5(1)(a)(iii), or but for his disablement amounting to less than the appropriate percentage.
- (2) Part B of the table prescribes payments to dependants of disabled persons who died as a result of diffuse mesothelioma.

PART A

Age of disabled	Percentage assessment for the relevant period						
person at his	10% or less	11% - 20%	21% - 30%	31% - 49%	50% and		
last birthday					over		
preceding death	£	£	£	£	£		
37 and under	20,017	34,128	38,264	39,396	40,335		
38	19,566	32,848	37,136	38,264	39,468		
39	19,116	31,568	36,008	37,135	38,603		
40	18,659	30,288	34,878	36,008	37,738		
41	18,210	29,010	33,749	34,878	36,873		
42	17,762	27,735	32,620	33,749	36,008		
43	16,947	26,076	31,604	32,732	35,180		
44	16,140	24,415	30,585	31,719	34,343		
45	15,333	22,761	29,572	30,701	33,521		
46	14,522	21,105	28,469	29,684	32,694		
47	13,714	19,450	27,544	28,673	31,868		
48	13,096	18,998	26,793	27,882	30,851		
49	12,471	18,548	26,035	27,091	29,835		
50	11,852	18,094	25,286	26,297	28,819		
51	11,232	17,645	24,534	25,511	27,807		
52	10,610	17,195	23,781	24,720	26,793		
53	10,326	16,140	22,353	23,628	25,959		
54	10,046	15,086	20,919	22,537	25,134		
55	9,765	14,032	19,490	21,448	24,306		
56	9,483	12,979	18,060	20,358	23,474		
57	9,029	11,930	16,629	19,265	22,649		
58	8,315	11,172	14,996	17,348	20,358		
59	7,598	10,419	13,360	15,427	18,060		
60	6,889	9,672	11,720	13,508	15,766		
61	6,168	8,916	10,086	11,589	13,470		

Age of disabled	Percentage assessment for the relevant period						
person at his last birthday	10% or less	11% - 20%	21% - 30%	31% - 49%	50% and over		
preceding death	£	£	£	£	£		
62	5,455	8,168	8,446	9,672	11,172		
63	5,079	8,109	8,337	9,311	10,517		
64	4,711	7,598	8,219	8,954	9,866		
65	4,328	6,697	8,109	8,595	9,198		
66	3,953	5,796	7,260	8,240	8,542		
67 and over	2,731	3,761	4,610	5,171	7,524		

PART B

Age of disabled person at his last birthday	Payment		
preceding death	£		
37 and under	40,335		
38	39,468		
39	38,603		
40	37,738		
41	36,873		
42	36,008		
43	35,180		
44	34,343		
45	33,521		
46	32,694		
47	31,868		
48	30,851		
49	29,835		
50	28,819		
51	27,807		
52	26,793		
53	25,959		
54	25,134		
55	24,306		
56	23,474		
57	22,649		
58	20,358		
59	18,060		
60	15,766		
61	13,470		
62	11,172		
63	10,517		
64	9,866		
65	9,198		
66	8,542		
67 and over	7,524"		

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Under the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 ("the Order") lump sum payments may be made to certain persons disabled by a disease to which the Order applies, or to dependants of persons who were so disabled before they died.

The diseases to which the Order applies are pneumoconiosis, byssinosis, diffuse mesothelioma, primary carcinoma of the lung (where accompanied by asbestosis or diffuse pleural thickening) and diffuse pleural thickening.

These Regulations amend the Pneumoconiosis, etc., (Workers' Compensation) (Payment of Claims) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 to increase amounts payable under the Order. The increase in each case is 3.1 per cent., rounded up or down to the nearest £1 as appropriate.

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