

2010 No. 351

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General)
(Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010**

Made - - - - - *22nd October 2010*

Coming into operation - *1st November 2010*

The Department for Social Development makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 134(2) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(a) and now vested in it(b).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 1st November 2010, immediately after the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010(c) come into operation.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(d) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

Amendment of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations

2. In regulation 3 of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988(e) (prescribed amount)(f) for “£8.50” substitute “£25”.

Revocations

3. The following Regulations are revoked—

- (a) Regulation 6 of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991(g); and
- (b) Regulation 2 of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995(h).

(a) 1992 c. 7; section 171(1) was amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21)
(b) See Article 8(b) of S.R. 1999 No. 481
(c) S.R. 2010 No. 344
(d) 1954 c. 33 (N. I.)
(e) S.R. 1988 No. 368; relevant amending Regulation is S.R.1995 No. 387
(f) Regulation 3 was substituted by regulation 2 of S.R. 1995 No. 387
(g) S.R. 1991 No. 464
(h) S.R.1995 No. 387

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 22nd October 2010

(L.S.)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend regulation 3 of the Social Fund (Cold Weather Payments) (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 so that the amount of a cold weather payment will be £25 instead of £8.50.

Regulation 3 makes consequential revocations.

These Regulations make in relation to Northern Ireland only provision corresponding to provision in Regulations made by the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions in relation to Great Britain and accordingly, by virtue of section 149(3) of, and paragraph 10 of Schedule 5 to, the Social Security Administration (Northern Ireland) Act 1992, are not subject to the requirement of section 149(2) of that Act for prior reference to the Social Security Advisory Committee.

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