
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 68 (C. 4)

PENSIONS

**The Pensions (2015 Act) (Commencement
No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016**

Made - - - - 24th February 2016

The Department for Social Development makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 53(1) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015(1).

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Pensions (2015 Act) (Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016.

(2) In this Order any reference to a numbered section or Schedule is to the section of, or Schedule to, the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 bearing that number.

Appointed day

2. The day appointed for the coming into operation of—

- (a) section 3(1) (full and reduced rates of state pension);
- (b) section 10 (inheritance of graduated retirement benefit);
- (c) section 18(2) to (4) (section 17 supplementary: calculating weeks, overseas residents, etc.);
- (d) section 20 (overseas residents);
- (e) section 23 (amendments) and paragraphs 2 and 6(1) of Schedule 12 (amendments to do with new state pension system), in so far as they relate to the provision specified in paragraph (f), and
- (f) in Schedule 12, paragraph 6(3),

for the purpose only of authorising the making of regulations, is 25th February 2016.

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Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 24th February 2016

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Development

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for the coming into operation of certain provisions of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (“the Act”), for regulation making purposes only, on 25th February 2016.

Article 2(a) brings into operation section 3(1) of the Act, which enables regulations to be made to set the full rate of the new state pension.

Paragraphs (b) to (d) of Article 2 bring into operation sections 10, 18(2) to (4) and 20 of the Act, which enable regulations to be made—

to set out how to calculate the extra new state pension a person may receive if they delay claiming, or choose to suspend, their new state pension;

containing provisions regarding inheritance of graduated retirement benefit as part of a person’s new state pension, and

to provide for circumstances in which a person who is an overseas resident is not entitled to up-rating increases of their new state pension.

Paragraphs (e) and (f) of Article 2 bring into operation paragraph 6(3) of Schedule 12 to the Act, to enable regulations to be made relating to National Insurance credits in the new state pension system, and section 23 of the Act and paragraphs 2 and 6(1) of that Schedule in so far as they relate to that paragraph.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order)

The following provisions of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 have been brought into operation by earlier commencement orders as from the dates shown.

<i>Provision</i>		<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.R. No.</i>
Section 2	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Section 4	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Section 8	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Sections 13 to 19	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Sections 22 to 25	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Section 23	(partially)	14th September 2015	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
Section 24	(partially)	14th September 2015	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
Section 25	(partially)	12th October 2015	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
Section 27	(partially)	14th September 2015	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
	(partially)	6th April 2016	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
Section 32	(partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Section 35		1st October 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)

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Sections 36 to 39	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Sections 41 and 42	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Sections 44 and 45	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Section 47	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 8 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 10 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 11 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 12 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
	(partially)	14th September 2015
Schedule 13 (partially)	14th September 2015	2015 No. 329 (C. 28)
Schedule 14	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 15 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
	(partially)	12th October 2015
Schedule 17 (partially)	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 18	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)
Schedule 19	16th July 2015	2015 No. 307 (C. 25)