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LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Advice (Assessment of Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975

Made . . . . . *22nd July* 1975

Coming into operation . . . *1st September* 1975

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State in pursuance of section 7 of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(a) hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Legal Advice (Assessment of Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1975.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965;

"the Regulations of 1970" means the Legal Advice Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970(b);

"the Regulations of 1974" means the Legal Advice (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974(c).

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2. For paragraph (4)(*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) of regulation 3 of the Regulations of 1970 as substituted by regulation 4 of the Regulations of 1974 there shall be substituted the following provisions:

"(4) The deductions to be made from the income of an applicant shall be—

(*a*) £6.05 in respect of any spouse of his if wholly or substantially maintained by him, or where the capital and income of the spouse are treated as his resources;

(*b*) in respect of any child wholly or substantially maintained by him, or by any spouse of his where the capital and income of the spouse are treated as his resources—

where the child is under five years of age . . .	£2.75
where the child is five or more years of age but under eleven years of age	£3.30
where the child is eleven or more years of age but under thirteen years of age	£4.05
where the child is thirteen or more years of age but under sixteen years of age	£4.95
where the child is sixteen or more years of age but under eighteen years of age	£5.90

(a) 1965 c. 8 (N.I.)
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970 No. 184 (p. 1036)
(c) S.R. 1974 No. 113

(*c*) £7.65 in respect of any other person wholly or substantially maintained by him, or by any spouse of his where the capital and income of the spouse are treated as his resources;".

Merlyn Rees
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
22nd July 1975

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations increase the deductions to be made in computing the income of an applicant for legal advice in respect of his spouse, dependent child or dependent relative.