1983 No. 103

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Revaluation of Earnings Factors Order (Northern Ireland) 1983

Made	*3rd May 1983*
Coming into operation . . .	*6th June 1983*

Whereas the Secretary of State for Social Services has made an order(a) under section 21 of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975(b):

Now, therefore, the Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 23 of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975(c) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Social Security Revaluation of Earnings Factors Order (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 6th June 1983.

Revaluation of earnings factors

2. The earnings factors relevant to the calculation of the additional component in the rate of any long-term benefit are directed to be increased for the tax years specified in the Schedule by the percentage of their amount shown opposite the said tax years in the Schedule.

Rounding of fractional amounts

3. Where any earnings factor as increased in accordance with this order would not but for this Article be expressed as a whole number of pounds, it shall be so expressed by the rounding down of any fraction of a pound less than one half and the rounding up of any other fraction of a pound.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on 3rd May 1983.

(L.S.) *A. N. Burns*
Assistant Secretary

(a) S.I. 1983/655
(b) 1975 c. 60; section 21 was amended by section 10 of the Social Security Act 1979 (c. 18) and by sections 3(3) and 21(4) of, and Part I of Schedule 5 to, the Social Security Act 1980 (c. 30)
(c) S.I. 1975/1503 (N.I. 15)

SCHEDULE

Tax Year	*Increase*
1978-79	92·0 per cent.
1979-80	69·4 per cent.
1980-81	41·6 per cent.
1981-82	18·5 per cent.
1982-83	7·7 per cent.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This order which corresponds to an order (S.I. 1983/655) made by the Secretary of State for Social Services under section 21 of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975 directs that the earnings factors relevant to calculating the additional component in the rate of any long-term benefit for the tax years specified in the Schedule are to be increased by the percentage of their amount specified in that Schedule. The order also provides for the rounding of fractional amounts.

Articles 36, 37 and 39 of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 [as amended by Articles 4(2) and 18(7) of the Social Security (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/610 (N.I. 11)) and Article 16 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5))] apply the increases prescribed by this order to the calculation of certain pension rates for contracted-out occupational pension schemes. For this purpose the increases are applied in the calculation of earners' average annual salaries by Articles 36(5)(*b*) and 39(2)(*b*) and in the assessment of earners' earnings factors by Article 37(5).

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These Orders have been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979. Summaries are given in the List of Statutory Rules of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.