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NATIONAL INSURANCE

Determination of Claims and Questions

REGULATIONS, DATED 25TH JULY 1968, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance so far as relates to matters with regard to which the Ministry of Finance has so directed, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 34, 72, 74(2), 80(3) and (4) and 89(2) of, and paragraph 17 of Schedule 9 to, the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**a**), as amended by sections 8 and 9 of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**b**), and by section 14(6) of the last-mentioned Act, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

PART I

GENERAL

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1968 and shall come into operation on 2nd September 1968.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966;

"the Industrial Injuries Act" means the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(**c**);

"local tribunal" means a tribunal constituted under section 76 of the Act;

"insurance officer" means an officer appointed in accordance with section 67 of the Act;

"contributions" includes graduated contributions and payments in lieu of contributions under the Act;

"applicant" means, for the purposes of Part II, a person who has made an application under the Act for the determination of a question;

"claimant" means, for the purposes of Parts III and IV, a person who has claimed benefit under the Act or whose right to be excepted from liability to pay or to be credited with a contribution is in question;

"question" includes, except for the purposes of Part II, a claim under the Act;

the expressions "medical examination" and "medical practitioner" have the same meanings as in the Industrial Injuries Act and references to being medically examined shall be construed accordingly.

(3) Any notice or other document required or authorised to be given or sent to any person under the provisions of these regulations shall be deemed to

(**a**) 1966. c. 6 (N.I.).
(**b**) 1966. c. 16 (N.I.).
(**c**) 1966. c. 9 (N.I.).

have been given or sent if it was sent by post to that person at his ordinary or last known address.

(4) Any power given in these regulations to extend the period during which anything is required to be done under these regulations or to dispense with any of the requirements thereof may be exercised in any case, notwithstanding that the period during which the thing is required to be done has expired.

PART II

DETERMINATION OF QUESTIONS BY MINISTRY

Application for, and procedure on, determination of question by the Ministry

2.—(1) Any person desiring to obtain the decision of the Ministry on any question mentioned in section 63(1)(*a*) to (*c*) of the Act shall deliver or send to the Ministry an application for the purpose in writing in a form approved by it, and shall furnish such particulars as the Ministry may require for the purpose of the consideration and determination of any such question.

(2) The Ministry shall take steps to bring any such application and any such particulars to the notice of any person appearing to it to be interested therein and to obtain from such person such particulars within such time and in such form as it considers reasonably necessary for the proper determination of the question.

(3) Any person appointed by the Ministry under section 63(3) of the Act to hold an inquiry into the question or any matters arising in connection therewith and to report to it thereon, may by summons require persons to attend at any such inquiry to give evidence or to produce documents reasonably required for the purpose of the inquiry and may take evidence on oath and for that purpose administer oaths.

(4) If any person fails to comply with any requirement of a summons issued under paragraph (3) he shall, for each offence, be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

(5) Reasonable notice of the date and place of the holding of such inquiry shall be given to the applicant and any persons notified of the application in accordance with paragraph (2).

(6) The applicant and any person appearing to the Ministry or to the person appointed to hold the inquiry to be interested in the application shall be entitled to attend and be heard at the inquiry, and to be represented by any other person, and the procedure thereat shall, subject to this regulation, be such as the person appointed to hold the inquiry shall determine.

(7) The Ministry shall give notice in writing of its decision to the applicant and to any persons appearing to it to be interested therein and may publish its decision in such manner as it thinks fit.

Appeals to the Supreme Court

3. The applicant and any other person appearing to the Ministry to be interested shall, on request, be furnished with such a statement of the grounds of the Ministry's decision as will enable him to determine whether any question of law has arisen upon which he may wish to appeal to the Supreme Court under section 64(3) of the Act.

PART III

VARIATION OF STATUTORY PROVISIONS

Variation of certain provisions of Part IV of the Act

4. Any question to which section 66(1) of the Act (questions to be determined by insurance officers, local tribunals or Commissioner) applies shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of sections 67 to 71 of the Act and of these regulations, subject to the variations of the provisions of the said sections made by this Part.

Appeals from insurance officers' decisions

5.—(1) Where an insurance officer has decided any claim or question on an assumption of facts as to which there appeared to him to be no dispute, but concerning which, had a question arisen, that question would have fallen for determination by the Ministry, it shall be deemed to be a sufficient compliance with the requirements of section 68(1) of the Act (appeals to local tribunals) as to notification to the claimant to give him notice in writing informing him of the decision and of the reasons therefor and that, if he is dissatisfied with the decision, he should reply to that effect, giving the reasons for his dissatisfaction.

(2) Where such a notice as is referred to in paragraph (1) is given, the decision of the insurance officer shall, for the purposes of the said section 68(1) be treated as adverse to the extent only that the provisions of paragraphs (3) to (5) so provide.

(3) If the claimant replies to the notice referred to in paragraph (1) and, after any appropriate investigations and explanations have been made, he remains dissatisfied, the decision of the insurance officer (if not reviewed) shall then, subject to the provisions of paragraph (4), be treated as adverse for the purposes of section 68(1) and the claimant shall be notified of his right of appeal to a local tribunal, the time limit for such appeal being measured from the date of that notification.

(4) If, where the provisions of paragraph (3) would otherwise apply, an insurance officer certifies that the sole ground of the claimant's dissatisfaction appears to him to be the assumption referred to in paragraph (1), those provisions shall not apply, but the claimant shall be notified in writing of his right to apply for the determination by the Ministry of the question arising on the assumption.

(5) If the question so arising is determined by the Ministry, then

(*a*) the insurance officer's decision shall thereafter, if not reviewed, be treated as an adverse decision for the purposes of section 68(1) and the claimant shall be notified of his right of appeal to a local tribunal, the time limit for such appeal being measured from the date of the Ministry's decision;

(*b*) where the Ministry's decision upholds the assumption, section 68(2) shall apply as if the insurance officer had given the certificate therein referred to;

(*c*) where the Ministry's decision does not uphold the assumption, it may, at the discretion of the insurance officer, be treated as an application for the review of the insurance officer's decision, and for the purposes of regulation 15 the date of the claimant's application for the Ministry's decision shall be treated as the date of the application for review.

Medical practitioners

6. For the purposes of section 69(5) of the Act the expression "registered medical practitioner" shall have the same meaning as the expression "medical practitioner" in the Industrial Injuries Act.

Single payments in satisfaction of rights to graduated retirement benefit

7.—(1) The following provisions of this regulation shall apply, in relation to payments (hereafter in this regulation referred to as "single payments") under regulation 2 of the National Insurance (Graduated Retirement Benefit and Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1961(**d**) (single payment in satisfaction of right to graduated retirement benefit).

(2) For the purposes of section 71 of the Act, in the case of a decision awarding a single payment, it shall be deemed not to be a material fact or relevant change of circumstances, as the case may be, that, since the date which was the appropriate date for the purposes of the said regulation 2, graduated retirement benefit would, apart from that regulation, have ceased to be payable, but it shall be deemed to be such a fact or change that, since that date, a person's right to graduated retirement benefit has ceased to be by virtue of section 35(7) of the Act.

(3) Where on review or appeal a decision awarding a single payment falls, or would but for this paragraph fall, to be revised so as to make payable either—

(*a*) a single payment in satisfaction of a right to graduated retirement benefit at a weekly rate higher than the weekly rate (hereinafter called "the original weekly rate") of the graduated retirement benefit in satisfaction of the right to which the original single payment was awarded; or

(*b*) weekly payments of graduated retirement benefit;

then—

(i) the decision on the review or appeal shall direct that the single payment originally awarded shall be treated as duly made in satisfaction for life of any right of the beneficiary (whether by virtue of the said section 35(7) or not) to graduated retirement benefit so far as it does not exceed the original weekly rate; and

(ii) the beneficiary's right to graduated retirement benefit, so far as it exceeds the original weekly rate, shall be treated as a separate right.

(4) Where on review or appeal a decision awarding weekly payments of graduated retirement benefit falls to be revised so as to make a single payment payable, the appropriate date for the purposes of the said regulation 2 shall be deferred until the date of the application for the review or of the notice of appeal, as the case may be, and the decision on review or appeal shall direct that any sums paid on account of the weekly payments originally awarded in respect of any period thereafter shall be treated as having been paid on account of the single payment.

PART IV

DETERMINATION OF CLAIMS AND QUESTIONS BY INSURANCE OFFICERS, LOCAL TRIBUNALS AND THE COMMISSIONER

Hearings before local tribunals

8.—(1) A local tribunal shall hear any case of an appeal from the decision of an insurance officer, brought in accordance with section 68 of the Act or of

(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 86.

a reference from an insurance officer in accordance with section 67(3)(*c*) of the Act.

(2) Reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing by a local tribunal shall be given to the claimant, an insurance officer and to any other person who may appear to the chairman of the tribunal to be interested, and, except with the consent of the claimant, the local tribunal shall not proceed with the hearing of any case unless such notice has been given.

(3) If a claimant or other person to whom notice of hearing has been duly given in accordance with these regulations should fail to appear at such hearing and has not given a reasonable explanation for his absence, the tribunal may proceed to determine the case notwithstanding the absence of the claimant or that other person, or may give such directions with a view to the determination of the case as they may think proper.

9.—(1) The hearing by a local tribunal of any appeal or reference shall be in private if the chairman so directs on the grounds that in his opinion intimate personal or financial circumstances may have to be disclosed or that considerations of public security are involved.

(2) Except as aforesaid, any hearing by a local tribunal shall be in public.

(3) Any person to whom notice of the hearing has been given in accordance with regulation 8(2) and any other person appearing to the tribunal to be interested shall be entitled to be heard at the hearing of any case by a local tribunal.

(4) Any person having the right to be heard who appears at a hearing by a local tribunal may call witnesses and shall be given an opportunity of putting questions directly to any witnesses called at the hearing.

(5) Any person having the right to be heard at the hearing of a case by a local tribunal may be represented by some other person whether having professional qualifications or not and, for the purposes of the proceedings at any such hearing, any such representative shall have all the rights and powers to which the person whom he represents is entitled under the Act and these regulations.

(6) Any person appearing to a local tribunal to be interested in any case being heard by the tribunal shall have the right to be present at the hearing notwithstanding that the hearing of the case is not in public.

(7) For the purpose of arriving at their decision or discussing any question of procedure, a local tribunal shall, notwithstanding anything in this regulation, order all persons not being members of the tribunal, other than the person acting as clerk to the tribunal, to withdraw from the sitting of the tribunal.

(8) In such cases as the chairman of the local tribunal may determine, a medical practitioner may sit with that tribunal as an assessor.

(9) An assessor sitting with a local tribunal as aforesaid shall not take any part in the determination or decision of that tribunal except in an advisory capacity.

Decisions of local tribunals

10.—(1) A local tribunal shall—

(*a*) record in writing all their decisions (whether on an appeal or on a reference from an insurance officer); and

(*b*) include in the record of every decision a statement of the grounds of such decision and of their findings on questions of fact material thereto.

(2) The decision of the majority of a local tribunal shall be the decision of the tribunal, but, if a decision is not unanimous, a statement that one of the members dissented and the reason given by him for so dissenting shall be recorded by the tribunal.

(3) As soon as may be practicable after a case has been decided by a local tribunal, a copy of the record of their decision made in accordance with this regulation shall be sent to the claimant and to the insurance officer and to any other person who appears to the local tribunal to be interested and, if the decision of the tribunal is adverse to the claimant, he shall be informed of the conditions governing appeals to the Commissioner.

Procedure before Commissioner

11.—(1) If any person to or by whom notice of appeal is given makes a request to the Commissioner for an oral hearing of the appeal, the Commissioner shall grant such request, unless, after considering the record of the case and the reasons put forward in the request for the hearing, he is satisfied that the appeal can properly be determined without a hearing, in which event he shall cause that person to be so informed in writing and may proceed to determine the case without a hearing.

(2) If, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1), a request for an oral hearing has been granted, or if, notwithstanding that no such request has been made, the Commissioner is otherwise satisfied that an oral hearing is desirable, he shall cause reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing to be given to every person to or by whom notice of appeal was given and, if he thinks fit, to any other person appearing to the Commissioner to be interested.

(3) In any case in which an oral hearing of an appeal is held such hearing shall be in private if the Commissioner so directs on the grounds that in his opinion intimate personal or financial circumstances may have to be disclosed or that considerations of public security are involved.

(4) Except as aforesaid, any hearing by the Commissioner shall be in public.

(5) Any person to whom notice of the hearing has been given shall be entitled to appear and be heard at the hearing and to be represented thereat by—

(*a*) counsel or a solicitor; or

(*b*) a representative of any such association as is mentioned in section 69(1)(*c*) of the Act (associations entitled to appeal to the Commissioner); or

(*c*) (with the consent of the Commissioner in any case) any other person.

(6) Any person having the right to be heard who appears at a hearing by the Commissioner may call witnesses and shall be given an opportunity of putting questions directly to any witnesses called at the hearing.

(7) If any person to whom notice of the hearing has been duly given should fail to appear either in person or by representative at the hearing, the Commissioner may proceed to determine the appeal notwithstanding the absence of any such person or representative or may give such directions with a view to the determination of the appeal as he thinks proper.

(8) The decision of the Commissioner shall be in writing and signed by him, and he shall cause a copy thereof to be sent as soon as may be practicable to every person to or by whom notice of appeal was given and to any other person appearing to the Commissioner to be interested.

General provision regarding proceedings before local tribunals and Commissioner

12. Subject to the provisions of the Act and of this Part, the procedure in connection with the consideration and determination of any appeal or reference to a local tribunal or of any appeal to the Commissioner shall be such as the chairman of the local tribunal or the Commissioner, as the case may be, shall determine.

Non-disclosure of evidence by local tribunal and Commissioner

13. Where, in connection with the determination of any claim or question, there is before a local tribunal or the Commissioner medical advice or medical evidence relating to the claimant which has not been disclosed to him and, in the opinion of the chairman of the local tribunal or the Commissioner, as the case may be, the disclosure to the claimant of that advice or evidence would be harmful to the claimant's health, such advice or evidence shall not be required to be disclosed to the claimant, but the local tribunal or the Commissioner shall not by reason of such non-disclosure be precluded from taking it into account for the purpose of the said determination.

Miscellaneous powers of Ministry, insurance officer and local tribunals

14. For the purpose of the determination of any question by the Ministry, an insurance officer or a local tribunal, the Ministry, the insurance officer or the local tribunal, as the case may be, may refer to a medical practitioner for examination and report any question arising for its, his or their decision.

Review of decisions involving payment or increase of benefit

15.—(1) Subject to the provisions of regulation 7, where on review a decision is revised so as to make benefit payable, or to increase the rate of benefit, the decision given on the review shall have effect as follows:

(*a*) in the case of unemployment benefit and maternity allowance, as from the date of the application for the review;

(*b*) in the case of sickness benefit, as from the date ten days before the date of the application for the review; or

(*c*) in the case of widow's benefit, child's special allowance, a guardian's allowance and a retirement pension, as from the date three months before the date of the application for the review:

Provided that, subject to the provisions of paragraph (2), if in any case the claimant proves—

(i) that on a date earlier than the date on which the application for the review was made, he was (apart from satisfying the condition of making a claim therefor) entitled to benefit; and

(ii) that throughout the period between the earlier date and the date on which the application for review was made, there was good cause for delay in making the application;

he shall not be disqualified by virtue of the foregoing provisions of this paragraph for receiving any benefit to which he would have been entitled in respect of the said period.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in this regulation, the following provisions shall have effect:

(*a*) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2)(*d*), except where it is certified by the decision on review that the original decision was revised by reason only of a matter specified in section 63(1)(*a*) of the Act, or by reason only of a matter specified in section 2(9) of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 (determination of reckonable earnings), the proviso to paragraph (1) shall apply subject to the condition that no sum on account of benefit shall be paid to any person in respect of any part of the period referred to in that proviso earlier than six months before the date on which the application for the review was made.

(*b*) The decision on review shall not in any event have effect for any period before the date on which the original decision took effect or would have taken effect if an award had been made.

(*c*) If the said decision on review was based on a material change of circumstances subsequent to the date from which the original decision took effect, it shall not have effect for any period before the date declared by the insurance officer, the local tribunal or the Commissioner, as the case may be, to be the date on which such material change of circumstances took place.

(*d*) The provisions of paragraph (2)(*a*) shall not apply to the review of a decision disallowing a claim for sickness benefit on any of the grounds specified in regulation 2(3) of the National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Miscellaneous and Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966(**e**) if such a decision has been treated as a decision disallowing a further claim.

(3) For the purposes of regulation 7 and this regulation, where a decision is reviewed at the instance of an insurance officer under section 71(1) of the Act, the date on which it was first decided by the insurance officer that the decision should be reviewed shall be deemed to be the date of the application for the review.

Adjustment of benefit by insurance officer, local tribunal or Commissioner

16. Where by a decision on review or appeal a person entitled to benefit is awarded some other benefit in lieu thereof, the decision on the review or appeal shall direct that any payments already made on account of the benefit originally awarded in respect of any period covered by the decision on review or appeal shall be treated as having been made on account of the benefit awarded by that decision.

Local referees

17.—(1) Any question of fact arising upon the consideration of any question by an insurance officer or a local tribunal as to the right to benefit may be referred by the insurance officer or the chairman of the local tribunal, as the case may be, for previous examination and report to two persons who are persons resident in the neighbourhood in which the claimant resides (hereafter in this regulation referred to as "the local referees"), and of whom one shall be drawn from the panel mentioned in paragraph (1)(*a*) of section 76 of the Act (constitution of local tribunals) and one shall be drawn from the panel mentioned in paragraph (1)(*b*) of that section:

Provided that, where a question of fact has been so referred, the insurance officer or the local tribunal, as the case may be, may determine the question before him or them, notwithstanding that the report of the local referees has not been received, if there has elapsed reasonable time within which the local referees could have submitted their report.

(e) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 216.

(2) If any question of fact shall be so referred, the local referees shall interview the claimant and shall report to the insurance officer or to the local tribunal, as the case may be, stating their findings of fact upon the question so referred.

(3) If the local referees do not agree upon their report each referee shall make a separate report.

(4) Any question of fact so referred may, with the consent of the claimant but not otherwise, be proceeded with in the absence of one of the two local referees by the other referee, who shall interview the claimant and report upon the question of fact referred.

(5) No member of one of the panels referred to in section 76(1) of the Act shall act as a local referee if he is a person who would be prevented, by the provisions of section 76(5)(*a*) of the Act, from sitting upon a local tribunal during the consideration of the case of the claimant.

Re-entry into regular employment after retirement

18. Where a husband and his wife are both entitled to retirement pensions by virtue of the husband's insurance and the husband has given notice of election for the purpose of regulations made under section 34 of the Act (re-entry into regular employment after retirement), the provisions of sections 67 to 71 of the Act and the foregoing provisions of this Part, shall in their application to the determination of the question whether the wife has consented to such election or whether her consent has been unreasonably withheld, be modified as follows:

(*a*) the determination of the question whether the wife has consented to such election or whether her consent has been unreasonably withheld shall have effect in relation to the entitlement to such pensions of both the husband and wife; and

(*b*) in respect of such determination both the husband and the wife shall be treated as claimants and shall have all the rights and powers of claimants for the purposes of Part IV of the Act and Part IV of these regulations.

Revocation and transitional provisions

19.—(1) The regulations specified in column (2) of the Schedule to these regulations are hereby revoked to the extent mentioned in column (3) of that Schedule:

Provided that the provisions of these regulations shall not apply to such a question as is mentioned in regulation 25 of the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948(f), and the provisions of the regulations specified in the Schedule to these regulations shall continue to apply to such a question to the same extent that they would have applied thereto if these regulations had not been made.

(2) Any decision given by any Commissioner, deputy Commissioner, umpire or deputy umpire for the purposes of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 or the enactments re-enacted by that Act shall be treated from 6th October 1966 as a decision given by a Commissioner appointed under section 9 of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.

(f) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1948, No. 185 and see S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 138.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland this 25th day of July 1968.

(L.S.) *H. A. Lowry,*
Assistant Secretary.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 25th day of July 1968.

(L.S.) *R. R. Butler,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE Regulation 19

Regulations Revoked

Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland (1)	Citation (2)	Extent of revocation (3)
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1948, No. 185	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1949, No. 142	The National Insurance (Death Grant) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1949.	In regulation 1(2), the definition of "the Determination of Claims and Questions Regulations"; regulation 13; Schedule 3.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1951, No. 157	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1951.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1953, No. 123	The National Insurance (Maternity Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1953.	In Schedule 2, the entry relating to the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1957, No. 169	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1957.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1957, No. 225	The National Insurance (Child's Special Allowance) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1957.	In the Schedule, the entry relating to the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1957, No. 267	The National Insurance (Death Grant) (Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1957.	In regulation 7, the words "and sub-paragraphs (*d*) and (*e*) of paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the National Insurance

Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland (1)	Citation (2)	Extent of revocation (3)
		(Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948 (which sub-paragraphs have effect by virtue of regulation 13 of, and the Third Schedule to, the Death Grant Regulations and relate to the determination of certain questions by the Ministry)".
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1958, No. 159	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1958.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 108	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1959.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 138	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1959.	The whole of the regulations.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960, No. 194	The National Insurance (Graduated Contributions and Non-participating Employments—Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1960.	Regulation 14.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 77	The Family Allowances and National Insurance (Commissioner — Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1961.	In the Schedule, the entries relating to the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948 and the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1957.

Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland (1)	Citation (2)	Extent of revocation (3)
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 86	The National Insurance (Graduated Retirement Benefit and Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1961.	In Schedule 2, Part II; in Schedule 3, Part II.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962, No. 27	The Family Allowances, National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1962.	In regulation 1(2), the definition of "the National Insurance Determination Regulations"; regulation 11.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 216	The National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Miscellaneous and Consequential Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966.	In regulation 1(2), the definition of "the Determination of Claims and Questions Regulations"; regulation 2(4).
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 233	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966.	The whole of the regulations except regulations 4 and 5 and Schedule.
S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1967, No. 86	The National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967.	The whole of the regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations consolidate the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1948 and subsequent amending regulations which are set out in the Schedule and are revoked by regulation 19.

No amendments other than those of a drafting or consequential nature have been made.