

Regulations made by the Department for Social Development and laid before the Assembly under section 51(3) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 for approval of the Assembly before the expiration of six months from the date of their coming into operation

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 88

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The State Pension (Amendment No. 2)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016**

Made - - - - *1st March 2016*

Coming into operation *6th April 2016*

The Department for Social Development makes the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 3(1) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015⁽¹⁾.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the State Pension (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 6th April 2016, immediately after the coming into operation of the State Pension Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015⁽²⁾.

Amendment of the State Pension Regulations

2. After Part 1 of the State Pension Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (general) insert—

“PART 1A

Full rate of State Pension

Full rate of state pension

1A. The full rate of the state pension for the purposes of section 3(1) of the Act (full rate of state pension) is £155.65 per week.”.

(1) 2015(c.5 (N.I.)) to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

(2) S.R. 2015 No. 315 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department for Social Development on 1st March 2016

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations set the full rate of the new state pension by amending the State Pension Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R. 2015 No. 315). The Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 5) creates the new state pension for people reaching pensionable age on or after 6th April 2016 (see Part 1 of that Act). It replaces the existing state pension for those people. The full rate is set at £155.65 per week.

Section 3(1) of the Pensions Act (Northern Ireland) 2015, the enabling power under which these Regulations are made, was brought into operation on 25th February 2016 for the purposes of authorising the making of Regulations by the Pensions (2015 Act) (Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 68 (C. 4)).