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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2379

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Amendment
(No. 2) Regulations 2012**

Made - - - - *17th September 2012*
Laid before Parliament *18th September 2012*
Coming into force - - *in accordance with regulation 1(2)*

The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 138(2) and (4) and 175(1) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992(a).

The Social Security Advisory Committee has agreed that proposals in respect of these Regulations should not be referred to it(b).

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2012.

(2) They come into force immediately after the coming into force of the Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Amendment Regulations 2012(c).

Amendment of the Social Fund Cold Weather Payment (General) Regulations 1988

2. In the table in Schedule 1 to the Social Fund Cold Weather Payment (General) Regulations 1988(d) (identification of stations and postcode districts) insert the following entry at the appropriate place in alphabetical order—

66A Rostherne

BL1-6, BL9, CW4, CW6-12, M1-9, M11-35,
M38, M40-41, M43-46, M50, M90, OL6-10,
PR7, SK1-12, SK14-16, WA1-16, WN1-8

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

(a) 1992 c.4; section 138(4) defines “prescribed”. Amendments not material to these Regulations have been made to section 175(1) and (4).

(b) See section 173(1)(b) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 (c.5).

(c) S.I. 2012/2280.

(d) Schedule 1 to S.I. 1988/1724 was last substituted by S.I. 2012/2280.

17th September 2012

Steve Webb
Minister of State
Department for Work and Pensions

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Social Fund Cold Weather Payments (General) Regulations 1988 (S.I. 1988/1724) (“the 1988 Regulations”). These Regulations are being issued free of charge to correct an omission from an earlier amending instrument (S.I. 2012/2280).

Schedule 1 to the 1988 Regulations designates the relevant primary weather station for specified postcodes. A designated weather station records or forecasts periods of cold weather which are then used to determine eligibility for cold weather payments for claimants living in postcodes assigned to that weather station.

Regulation 2 inserts an additional entry into Schedule 1 to the 1988 Regulations, designating Rostherne as the relevant primary weather station for specified postcodes.

The Postcode Atlas of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the postcode maps may be obtained from Harper Collins, United Kingdom, 2012, ISBN 0007443072. A person may establish the current postcode for his or her address by contacting the Royal Mail Postcode Enquiries Office (telephone 0906 302 1222 – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. – or 08457 111 222) or through the Royal Mail website at www.royalmail.com.

A full impact assessment has not been published for this instrument as it has no impact on the private sector or civil society organisations.