

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION**  
**of the**  
**ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

**THE INCOME SUPPORT (IMPLEMENTATION) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2019**

The States are asked to decide:-

Whether they are of the opinion to approve the draft Ordinance entitled "The Income Support (Implementation) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019", and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

This proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications in accordance with Rule 4(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees.

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Ordinance amends the benefit limitation rates (in effect the maximum amount of benefit a claimant can receive), the short term and long-term requirement rates on which calculation of income support is based and the level of maximum rent allowances added in calculating a claimant's requirements under the Income Support (Guernsey) Law, 1971 (formerly known as the Supplementary Benefit (Guernsey) Law, 1971) with effect from 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2020. Rates are increased by 1.9%.



# **The Income Support (Implementation) (Amendment)**

## **Ordinance, 2019**

**THE STATES**, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2019<sup>a</sup>, and in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 3(2), 15 and 15B of the Income Support (Guernsey) Law, 1971<sup>b</sup>, and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order:-

### **Amendment of Ordinance.**

1. The Income Support (Implementation) Ordinance, 1971<sup>c</sup> ("**the Ordinance**") is amended as follows.

2. For Tables 1 to 4 set out in the Appendix to the First Schedule to the Ordinance, substitute the numbered Tables 1 to 4 set out in the Schedule to this

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<sup>a</sup> Article II of Billet d'État No. XXI of 2019.

<sup>b</sup> Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXIII, p. 26; amended by Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVI, p. 292; Vol. XXXI p. 278; Vol. XXXIX, p. 107; Order in Council No. XIII of 2014; No. VII of 2015; No. VI of 2016; No. IV of 2018; Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XXVI, p. 177; Ordinance No. XXXIII of 2003; No. XXXIX of 2009; No. VII of 2010; No. IX of 2016; No. XIII of 2017; No. XIII of 2018; and Alderney Ordinance No. VIII of 2018; applied to Alderney by Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XVII, p. 168 as amended by Tome XXVI, p. 462 and Ordinance Nos. XXVI and XLIX of 2014. Order in Council No. IV of 2018 is applied to Alderney by Ordinance No. XIV of 2018.

<sup>c</sup> Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XVII, p. 139; amended by Order in Council No. IV of 2014; No. IV of 2018; Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XVIII, p. 119; Tome XXIV, pp. 471 and 495; Tome XXV, p. 49; Tome XXVI, p. 177, Ordinance No. XXXV of 2004; Nos. VIII and XXV of 2005; No. XLVII of 2006; No. XLV of 2007; Nos. XXVI and XLI of 2012; No. XXXIX of 2013; Nos. XXV and XLVIII of 2014; No. XLVIII of 2015; Nos. IX, XXX and XLII of 2016; Nos. XIII and XXXVIII of 2017; Nos. XIII and XLI of 2018; and Alderney Ordinance No. VIII of 2018. The Ordinance is applied to the Island of Alderney by Recueil d'Ordonnances Tome XVII, p. 168.

Ordinance.

**Extent.**

3. This Ordinance has effect in the islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou.

**Repeal.**

4. The Income Support (Implementation) (Amendment) (No. 2) Ordinance, 2018<sup>d</sup> is repealed.

**Citation.**

5. This Ordinance may be cited as the Income Support (Implementation) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019.

**Commencement.**

6. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.

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<sup>d</sup> Ordinance No. XLI of 2018.

## SCHEDULE

### Section 2

"Table 1

(Paragraph 3)

Limitation of weekly benefit payable as from the week commencing  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

| <i>Community</i> | <i>Residential<br/>home</i> | <i>Nursing Home,<br/>etc</i> | <i>Personal<br/>Allowance</i> | <i>UK Personal<br/>Allowance</i> |
|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| £850.00          | £573.00                     | £821.00                      | £36.00                        | £55.21                           |

Table 2

(Paragraph 5(1) and (2))

Short-term Weekly Requirements as from week commencing  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

| <i>Description</i>   | <i>Amount</i> |
|--|---------------|
| Married couple or other persons falling within paragraph 2(1) (" <b>Couple</b> ")  | £189.93       |
| Person not falling within paragraph 2(1) who is directly responsible for household necessities and rent (if any) (" <b>Single householder</b> ") | £108.71       |
| Person who is not a householder (" <b>Non-householder</b> ") -   | £82.91        |
| Member of a household -  |               |
| Aged 11 years or over;   | £77.43        |

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|--|--------|
| Aged 5 years or over but less than 11; | £58.23 |
| Aged less than 5 years                 | £39.04 |

Table 3 (Paragraph 5(2) and 2(A))

Long-term Weekly Requirements as from week commencing  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

| <i>Description</i>   | <i>Amount</i> |
|--|---------------|
| Married couple or other persons falling within paragraph 2(1) (" <b>Couple</b> ")  | £311.65       |
| Person not falling within paragraph 2(1) who is directly responsible for household necessities and rent (if any) (" <b>Single householder</b> ") | £188.23       |
| Person who is not a householder (" <b>Non-householder</b> ") -   | £141.53       |
| Member of a household -  |               |
| Aged 11 years or over;   | £110.35       |
| Aged 5 years or over but less than 11;   | £82.92        |
| Aged less than 5 years   | £55.49        |

Table 4 (Paragraph 6(4))

Maximum Rent Allowances as from week commencing  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

| <i>Description</i>   | <i>Amount</i> |
|--|---------------|
| Married couple or other persons falling within paragraph 2(1) (" <b>Couple</b> ") with no child dependants | £227.00       |

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|---|-----------|
| Person not falling within paragraph 2(1) who is directly responsible for household necessities and rent (if any) (" <b>Single householder</b> ") with no child dependants | £227.00   |
| Couple or Single householder with one child dependant   | £271.82   |
| Couple or Single householder with two child dependants  | £346.05   |
| Couple or Single householder with 3 or more child dependants  | £423.02   |
| Person living in shared accommodation   | £181.16." |