



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (ENTITLEMENT CARDS) REGULATIONS  
1991, AMENDMENT NO. 3**

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CATHERINE A. TIZARD, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 22nd day of February 1993

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. W. F. BIRCH PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to sections 132 and 132A of the Social Security Act 1964, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Entitlement Cards) Regulations 1991, Amendment No. 3, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Entitlement Cards) Regulations 1991\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

**2. Interpretation**—(1) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the term “assessable family income” (as inserted by regulation 2 of the Social Security (Entitlement

\*S.R. 1991/236  
Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1992/37  
Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1992/87

Cards) Regulations 1991, Amendment No. 1), and substituting the following definition:

“‘Assessable family income’ means—

“(a) In respect of—

“(i) An unmarried national superannuitant; or

“(ii) A married national superannuitant who is resident in a home licensed under the Old People’s Homes Regulations 1987; or

“(iii) A married national superannuitant whose spouse is resident in a home so licensed—

that person’s assessable income; and

“(b) In respect of a married national superannuitant (other than a person described in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (a) of this definition), the assessable income of that person and his or her spouse:”.

(2) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the term “family income”, and substituting the following definition:

“‘Family income’ means—

“(a) In respect of—

“(i) An unmarried person; or

“(ii) A married person who is resident in a home licensed under the Old People’s Homes Regulations 1987; or

“(iii) A married person whose spouse is resident in a home so licensed—

that person’s income; and

“(b) In respect of a married person (other than a person described in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of paragraph (a) of this definition), the income of that person and his or her spouse:”.

**3. Eligibility for entitlement cards**—(1) Regulation 6 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended—

(a) By omitting from paragraph (d) the words “less than”, and substituting the words “not more than”;

(b) By omitting from paragraph (e) (as substituted by regulation 4 (3) of the Social Security (Entitlement Cards) Regulations 1991, Amendment No. 1) the words “less than”, and substituting the words “not more than”;

(c) By omitting from paragraph (f) (as added by regulation 3 (2) of the Social Security (Entitlement Cards) Regulations 1991, Amendment No. 2) the words “less than”, and substituting the words “not more than”.

(2) Regulation 6 (1) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

“(g) A person who is receiving payments pursuant to the rest home subsidy welfare programme approved under section 124 (1) (d) of the Act.”

(3) Regulation 6 (3) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the words “if the husband or wife is ordinarily resident in New Zealand”.

**4. Ascertainment of income**—Regulation 8 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding the following subclause:

“(2) In computing a person’s income for the purposes of these regulations, the amount computed shall be rounded down to a whole dollar.”

MARIE SHROFF,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations amend the Social Security (Entitlement Cards) Regulations 1991.

*Regulation 2:* The effect of the amendments made by this regulation is to provide for a married national superannuitant who is resident in a home licensed under the Old People’s Homes Regulations 1987, and the spouse of that national superannuitant, to be regarded as separate “families” for the purposes of the principal regulations.

*Regulation 3:* The amendments made by this regulation provide for—

- (a) Eligibility for a Group 1 card depending on a person’s family income being not more than the appropriate amount instead of less than the amount;
- (b) Every person who is receiving a rest home subsidy under a programme approved under section 124 (1) (d) of the Social Security Act 1964 to be eligible for a Group 1 card;
- (c) The eligibility of the spouse of the holder of a Group 1 card to also receive a Group 1 card to be dependent on the spouse being ordinarily resident in New Zealand.

*Regulation 4* provides that, in computing a person’s income for the purposes of the regulations, the amount computed is to be rounded down to a whole dollar.

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