



Social Security (Rates of Benefits and Allowances) Order 2006

Silvia Cartwright, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 6th day of March 2006

Present:

Her Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 61H of the Social Security Act 1964 and section 15 of the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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Order

- 1 Title**
This order is the Social Security (Rates of Benefits and Allowances) Order 2006.
- 2 Commencement**
This order comes into force on 1 April 2006.
- 3 Increasing amounts of funeral grants**
 - (1) Sections 61DB, 61DC, and 61DD of the Social Security Act 1964 are amended by omitting from each section the expression “\$1,611.65”, and substituting in each case the expression “\$1,662.58”.
 - (2) The amendments made by subclause (1) apply in respect of persons who die on or after 1 April 2006.
- 4 Increasing certain benefits and allowances payable under Social Security Act 1964**
Each provision of the Social Security Act 1964 listed in column 1 of Schedule 1 is amended by omitting the expression set out opposite to it in column 2, and substituting in each case the expression set out opposite to it in column 3.
- 5 Increasing New Zealand superannuation, etc, payable under New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001**
Each provision of the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001 listed in column 1 of Schedule 2 is amended by omitting the expression set out opposite to it in

column 2, and substituting in each case the expression set out opposite to it in column 3.

6 Revocation

The Social Security (Rates of Benefits and Allowances) Order 2005 (SR 2005/42) is revoked.

Schedule 1

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Increases to certain benefits and allowances payable under Social Security Act 1964 and asset and income limits

Column 1 Provisions amended	Column 2 Expressions omitted (\$)	Column 3 Expressions substituted (\$)
Schedule 3		
Clause 1	241.47	249.10
Clause 2	175.61	181.16
Schedule 4		
Clause 1(a)	128.97	133.05
Clause 1(b)	120.43	124.24
Clause 1(c)	111.88	115.42
Clause 1(d)	94.77	97.76
Schedule 6		
Clause 1(a)	170.52	175.91
Clause 1(b)	210.72	217.38
Clause 1(c)	276.82	285.57
Clause 1(e)	175.61	181.16
Clause 1(f)	175.61	181.16
Clause 1(g)	175.61	181.16
Clause 2	285.61	291.16
	35.11	36.22
Schedule 9		
Clause 1(aa)	112.38	115.94
Clause 1(a)	140.48	144.92
Clause 1(b)	168.59	173.92
Clause 1(c)	241.47	249.10
Clause 1(d)	140.48	144.92
Clause 1(e)	140.48	144.92
Clause 1(f)	140.48	144.92
Clause 2	140.48	144.92

Column 1 Provisions amended	Column 2 Expressions omitted (\$)	Column 3 Expressions substituted (\$)
Clause 5	140.48	144.92
Schedule 16		
Clause 1	241.47	249.10
Clause 2	175.61	181.16
Schedule 17		
Clause 1	170.52	175.91
Clause 2	210.72	217.38
Clause 3	276.82	285.57
Clause 5	175.61	181.16
Clause 6	175.61	181.16
Clause 7	175.61	181.16
Clause 8	175.61	181.16
Schedule 19		
Clause 1	37.28	38.46
Clause 2	49.48	51.04
Clause 3	30.87	31.85
Schedule 22		
Clause 1	30.87	31.85
Clause 2	30.87	31.85
Schedule 26		
Clause 1	140.48	144.92
Clause 2	140.48	144.92
Clause 3	140.48	144.92
Schedule 31		
Clause 1	843.17	869.81
Clause 2	1404.94	1449.34
Clause 3	1107.11	1142.09
Clause 4	1189.27	1226.85
Clause 5	385.13	397.30
Clause 6	442.64	456.63
Clause 7	642.90	663.22
Clause 8	537.12	554.09
Clause 9	565.88	583.76
Clause 10	416.21	429.36
Clause 11	478.37	493.49
Clause 12	694.81	716.77
Clause 13	580.48	598.82
Clause 14	611.56	630.89

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Schedule 2

**Increases to New Zealand superannuation, etc,
payable under New Zealand Superannuation and
Retirement Income Act 2001**

Column 1 Provisions amended	Column 2 Expressions omitted (\$)	Column 3 Expressions substituted (\$)
Schedule 1		
Clause 1(a)	309.73	320.13
Clause 1(b)	285.02	294.37
Clause 1(c)	235.16	243.06
Clause 2(a)	470.32	486.12
Clause 2(b)	447.00	462.22
Clause 3	30.87	31.85
Clause 4	30.87	31.85

Diane Morcom,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which comes into force on 1 April 2006, increases most benefits, pensions, etc, according to an increase in the All Groups Consumers Price Index (CPI) of 3.16%.

Clauses 3 and 4 amend the Social Security Act 1964. *Clause 5* amends the New Zealand Superannuation and Retirement Income Act 2001.

Clause 3 increases the amounts of funeral grants.

Clause 4 and Schedule 1 increase the following benefits: widows', orphans', unsupported child's, invalids', unemployment, sickness, domestic purposes, child disability, disability, independent youth, related emergency benefits, and the hospital rate. The maximum amount of income that a blind beneficiary may earn, and still receive a subsidy, is also increased, as are the asset and income limits in Schedule 31.

Clause 5 and Schedule 2 increase the rates of New Zealand superannuation entitlements. The rates of New Zealand superannuation that are amended are the gross rates, but the CPI adjustment has been calculated in relation to the net rate in each case.

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This order is administered in the Ministry of Social Development.
