



**THE SOCIAL SECURITY (BREAST PROSTHESES) REGULATIONS
1989, AMENDMENT NO. 1**

PAUL REEVES, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At Wellington this 8th day of October 1990

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to sections 116, 123, and 132 of the Social Security Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

REGULATIONS

1. Title, commencement, and application—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Social Security (Breast Protheses) Regulations 1989, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Social Security (Breast Protheses) Regulations 1989* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 15th day of October 1990, and shall apply to breast prosthesis benefits provided on or after that date.

2. Increased benefits—The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulations 5 and 6, and substituting the following regulations:

“5. **Yearly benefits**—For the purposes of regulation 4 of these regulations, each patient shall be entitled to a yearly benefit of—

- “(a) \$300 in respect of the year in which the first breast prosthesis is purchased by, or supplied to, the patient after her mastectomy; and
- “(b) \$100 in respect of each year after that year that commences on or after the 15th day of October 1988; and
- “(c) \$44 in respect of each year after that year that ends before the 15th day of October 1988.

“6. **Special initial claim**—The breast prosthesis benefit may,—

- “(a) In respect of the first breast prosthesis purchased by, or supplied to, a patient after her mastectomy, be claimed as an initial payment of up to \$600 (comprising the sum of \$300 specified in regulation 5 (a) of these regulations plus the amount of the maximum yearly benefit of \$100 for up to 3 of the years following the first year); and
- “(b) After the expiry of the period used to calculate that initial payment, be claimed as a yearly benefit in respect of any replacement breast prosthesis or the repair of any breast prosthesis.”

C. J. HILL,
for Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations, which come into force on 15 October 1990, increase the benefits payable for the provision of a breast prosthesis to women who have undergone mastectomies. In the case of an accumulated yearly benefit, the increased benefits are backdated to 15 October 1988.

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These regulations are administered in the Department of Health.