

**Reprint  
as at 26 November 2018**

**Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Amendment  
Regulations 2006  
(SR 2006/45)**

Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Amendment Regulations 2006: revoked, on 26 November 2018, pursuant to regulation 295(4) of the Social Security Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/202).

**Preamble**

At Wellington this 6th day of March 2006

Pursuant to section 132AC of the Social Security Act 1964, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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**Amendments to Schedule of principal regulations**

*[Revoked]*

**1 Title**

- (1) These regulations are the Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Amendment Regulations 2006.

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**Note**

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this reprint. See the notes at the end of this reprint for further details.

**These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Social Development.**

- (2) In these regulations, the Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Regulations 2004 are called “the principal regulations”.

## **2 Commencement**

These regulations come into force on 1 April 2006.

## **3 Assistance to be no more than hourly fee payable**

Regulation 6 of the principal regulations is amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

- (1) The hourly rate of childcare assistance paid in respect of a child’s participation in an approved early-childhood programme or OSCAR programme must be—
- (a) no more than the actual hourly fee payable (or, if subclause (2) applies, the averaged hourly fee payable) for that participation; or
  - (b) where regulation 10 applies, the higher of the fee charged for keeping open the child’s place in the programme and the hourly fee calculated under paragraph (a).

## **4 New regulation 10 substituted**

The principal regulations are amended by revoking regulation 10, and substituting the following regulation:

### **10 Payment of assistance during child’s absence**

- (1) Childcare assistance may continue to be paid for the period set out in subclauses (2) and (3) during a child’s absence from an early-childhood programme or OSCAR programme if the programme charges a fee for holding open the places of children who are absent.
- (2) The period is calculated as—
- (a) commencing on the first day of the child’s absence from the programme; and
  - (b) including only the time during the absence when the programme is available.
- (3) The period must not exceed—
- (a) 6 weeks, if the absence is due to the child’s medical condition; or
  - (b) 3 weeks, if the absence is due to any other reason.

## **5 Schedule amended**

*[Revoked]*

Regulation 5 was revoked, as from 1 April 2007, by regulation 6(c) Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Amendment Regulations 2007 (SR 2007/61).

**Schedule  
Amendments to Schedule of principal regulations**

*[Revoked]*

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Diane Morcom,  
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 1 April 2006, amend the Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Regulations 2004 by—

- raising the rates of childcare and OSCAR subsidies available to certain caregivers with dependent children:
- adjusting the period during which assistance is available during a child's absence from an early-childhood programme or OSCAR programme and removing restrictions on the availability of assistance based on reasons for the absence:
- setting the hourly rate of childcare assistance during the absence at the higher of the usual hourly rate and the fee charged for keeping open the child's place.

The amount of the raise in the subsidies is in accordance with a 3.16% increase in the All Groups Consumers Price Index.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.  
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**Eprint notes****1    *General***

This is an eprint of the Social Security (Childcare Assistance) Amendment Regulations 2006 that incorporates all the amendments to those regulations as at the date of the last amendment to them.

**2    *About this eprint***

This eprint is not an official version of the legislation under section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012.

**3    *Amendments incorporated in this eprint***

Social Security Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/202): regulation 295(4)