

Reprint
as at 26 November 2015



Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015

(LI 2015/100)

Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015: revoked (with effect on 1 July 2015), on 26 November 2015, by regulation 4 of the Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/291).

Rt Hon Dame Sian Elias, Administrator of the Government

Order in Council

At Wellington this 25th day of May 2015

Present:

Her Excellency the Administrator of the Government in Council

Pursuant to section 155 of the Social Security Act 1964, Her Excellency the Administrator of the Government, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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Note

Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint.
Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

These regulations are administered by the Ministry of Social Development.

Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 July 2015.

3 Schedule 27 of Social Security Act 1964 amended

- (1) In the Social Security Act 1964, Schedule 27, Part 1, clause 1(2), replace “\$218,423” with “\$218,598”.
- (2) In the Social Security Act 1964, Schedule 27, Part 1, clause 1(3), replace “\$119,614” with “\$119,709”.

4 Consequential revocation

The Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2014 (LI 2014/154) are revoked.

Michael Webster,
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 July 2015, amend Schedule 27 of the Social Security Act 1964, which relates to means assessments for long-term residential care.

Section 155 of that Act requires the relevant asset thresholds set out in that schedule to be increased by the amount of the movement in the New Zealand Consumers Price Index (All Groups) for the year that ended on 31 March 2015, rounded up to the nearest whole dollar.

The movement of that index was 0.08%. The new asset thresholds are therefore—

- Threshold A, which is \$218,598, and applies to a resident if—
 - the resident has no spouse or partner; or
 - the resident’s spouse or partner also requires care; or
 - the resident has elected to have Threshold A apply even though his or her spouse or partner does not require care:

- Threshold B, which is \$119,709, and applies to a resident if the resident's spouse or partner does not require care, and the resident has not elected to have Threshold A apply.

Section 155 of the Social Security Act 1964 also requires the income-from-assets exemptions set out in Schedule 27 to be increased by the amount of the movement in the New Zealand Consumers Price Index (All Groups, excluding cigarettes and other tobacco products) for the year ended 31 March 2015, as that amount is calculated under subsection (2A) of that section. As the movement of that index was -0.17%, the amounts for a resident who has no spouse or partner (\$963), who has a spouse or partner that is resident (\$1,925), or who has a spouse or partner that is not resident (\$2,887) are unchanged.

Increases are based on the previous year's unrounded asset threshold as required by section 155(3)(b) of the Social Security Act 1964.

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Reprints notes

1 *General*

This is a reprint of the Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015 that incorporates all the amendments to those regulations as at the date of the last amendment to them.

2 *Legal status*

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

3 *Editorial and format changes*

Editorial and format changes to reprints are made using the powers under sections 24 to 26 of the Legislation Act 2012. See also <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/>.

4 *Amendments incorporated in this reprint*

Social Security (Long-term Residential Care) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/291): regulation 4