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I, REGINA DOHERTY, Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 4 (adapted by the Social and Family Affairs (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2017 (S.I. No. 366 of 2017)) 30 and 33 of the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005 (No. 26 of 2005), hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation and construction

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Social Welfare (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability) (Amendment) (No. 1) (Jobseekers Benefit (Self-Employed)) Regulations 2019.

(2) These Regulations and the Social Welfare (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability Regulations) 1996 to 2018 shall be construed together as one and may be cited together as the Social Welfare (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability) Regulations 1996 to 2019.

Commencement

2. These Regulations come into operation on 1 November 2019.

Jobseekers Benefit (Self-Employed)

3. The Social Welfare (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability) Regulations 1996 (S.I. No. 312 of 1996) is amended by the insertion –

(a) in sub-article (2) of article 49 of “jobseeker’s benefit (self-employed),” after “jobseeker’s benefit”,

(b) in sub-article (5) of article 58 of “jobseeker’s benefit (self-employed),” after “jobseeker’s benefit”,

and

(c) in sub-article (4) of article 59 of “or jobseeker’s benefit (self-employed),” after “jobseeker’s benefit”.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in “Iris Oifigiúil” of 12th November, 2019.
GIVEN under my Official Seal,
1 November, 2019.

REGINA DOHERTY,
Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

The Social Welfare Act 2019 amended the Social Welfare Consolidation Act 2005 to provide for the new social insurance scheme - Jobseeker’s Benefit (self-employed) - to provide an income safety net to people setting up or running their own businesses.

These Regulations, which come into effect from 1st November 2019, amend articles 49, 58 and 59 of the Social Welfare (Consolidated Contributions and Insurability) Regulations 1996 (S.I. No. 312 of 1996) consequential to the introduction of Jobseekers Benefit (self-employed).