

Decision Makers Guide

Amended Chapters for February 2020 - Summary of changes

Volume 1: Decision making and appeals

Chapter 2: Claims

Paragraphs 02378 (sure start maternity grants) and 02379 (funeral payments) added, paragraph 02543 (SF funeral and maternity payments) amended.

Chapter 3: Revision

Incorporates Memo DMG 5/19 (Late application for a mandatory reconsideration), includes guidance at 03241 – 03247 about changes to collection of Class 2 NI contributions, makes minor changes to correct cross references and examples that no longer apply and signposts to the new Annex F (Late application for a Mandatory Reconsideration (MR)).

Chapter 4: Supersession, suspension and termination

Minor amendment made at paragraph 04226.

Chapter 6: Making appeals and staying

Amendments made to reflect the decision in CDLA/998/2017 (which now reported as [2018] AACR 33), in respect of where a claimant with an appointee is not precluded from bringing an appeal independently (DMG 06051) and the power the First-tier Tribunal have in appointing a litigation friend (DMG 06428).

Annex F: Late application for a Mandatory Reconsideration (MR)

Addition of this new annex.

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