

Direction in relation to Special Benefit Amendment (No 4) 2019

This instrument is made under section 7 of the Social Security Act 2018 by the Minister for Social Development.

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Instrument

1 Title

This instrument is the Direction in relation to the Special Benefit Amendment (No 4) 2019.

2 Commencement

This instrument comes into force on 21 June 2019.

3 Principal direction amended

This instrument amends the Direction in relation to Special Benefit given on 10 February 1999¹ (the **principal direction**).

4 New clause 2.1B inserted

After clause 2.1A of the principal direction, insert:

2.1B A person's chargeable income does not include any payments or income described in Schedule 8, Clause 14 of the Social Security Regulations 2018.

Dated at Wellington this 18th day of June 20 19



Minister for Social Development

¹ New Zealand Gazette, 16 December 1999, page 4599, notice 9385

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the instrument, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This instrument, which comes into force on 21 June 2019, amends the Direction in relation to Special Benefit to align it with amendments to income and asset exemptions being made to the Social Security Regulations 2018 and the Residential Care and Disability Support Services Regulations 2018.

The changes made by this instrument ensure exempt income under the Direction will include changes made to the exemption Regulations to:

- extend the exemption for ex gratia and compensation payments beyond Crown entities to include payments made by non-Crown entities, and to include any income derived from such payments; and
- remove the 12-month time limit to make the exemption permanent.