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TREASURY REGULATIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE PENSIONS (INCREASE) ACT, 1920, RELATING TO PENSIONERS TO WHOM SECTION 1 OF THE ACT APPLIES.

1. The pensioners to whom these rules apply are pensioners who on the sixteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty, were in receipt of pensions granted—

under the Superannuation Acts, 1834 to 1914;

under the Elementary School Teachers' (Superannuation) Acts, 1898 to 1912, or under the code of regulations for public elementary schools or under the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908;

under the National School Teachers' (Ireland) Act, 1879;

under the enactments relating to the pay and pensions of the Royal Irish Constabulary and the Dublin Metropolitan Police;

and in whose case the following statutory conditions are fulfilled:—

The pensioner must reside in the British Islands;

The pensioner must have attained the age of sixty years or have retired on account of physical or mental infirmity, or, in the case of a pensioner who is a widow and is in receipt of a pension payable in respect of the services of her deceased husband, must have attained the age of forty years;

The pensioner must satisfy the Pension Authority that his means, including his pen-

sion, are less than one hundred and fifty pounds a year, if unmarried, or two hundred pounds a year, if married.

For the purposes of the statutory conditions, a widower or widow with one or more children under sixteen years of age dependent on him or her will be treated as married, and a widower or widow having no such children will be treated as unmarried.

2. An application for an increase of pension under the Pensions (Increase) Act, 1920 (hereinafter referred to as the Act), shall be made to the Government Department through whom the original pension is payable (hereinafter referred to as the Pension Authority).

3. An application in the case of a pensioner who fulfils the statutory conditions at the date of the making of these rules should be made as soon as practicable. In the case of a pensioner who hereafter fulfils the statutory conditions, the application should be made not more than three months before or as soon as may be after the statutory conditions are fulfilled.

4. Every application must be accompanied by a declaration in the form set out in the Schedule hereto made before one of the following persons, that is to say, a justice of the peace, a commissioner for oaths, a commissioned officer not below the rank of lieutenant-commander in the Navy or major in the Army, a barrister-at-law, a minister of religion, a bank