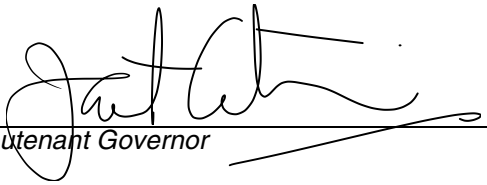


PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL

Order in Council No. 239

, Approved and Ordered May 11, 2020



Lieutenant Governor

Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that

- (a) the Employment and Assistance Regulation, B.C. Reg. 263/2002, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 1, and
- (b) the Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Regulation, B.C. Reg. 265/2002, is amended as set out in the attached Appendix 2.



Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction



Presiding Member of the Executive Council

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Employment and Assistance Act*, S.B.C. 2002, c. 40, s. 35;
Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act, S.B.C. 2002, c. 41, s. 26

Other: OICs 873/2002 and 874/2002

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APPENDIX 1

1 The Employment and Assistance Regulation, B.C. Reg. 263/2002, is amended in Part 1 by adding the following section:

Modifications in relation to COVID-19 emergency

- 2.1** (1) This section applies in relation to the provision of assistance for May, June and July, 2020 to or for
- (a) a family unit that was eligible on April 2, 2020, or includes a person who was in a family unit that was eligible on April 2, 2020, for
 - (i) income assistance, or
 - (ii) hardship assistance, other than hardship assistance provided under section 43 because an applicant applied for
 - (A) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*, or
 - (B) employment insurance, or
 - (b) a family unit that is described in section 2.01 (1) (a) of the Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Regulation.
- (2) Section 11 (1) is to be read as though it also provided that the following assets are exempt for the purposes of section 11 (2) and (2.1):
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (3) Section 1 (a) of Schedule B is to be read as though it also provided that the following are exempt from income when calculating the net income of a family unit for the purposes of section 28 (b) of this regulation:
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (4) Section 6 of Schedule D is to be read as though it also provided that no deduction is to be made for the following when calculating the maximum amount of hardship assistance for which an applicant's family unit is eligible under section 2 of that Schedule:
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (5) This section is repealed on August 1, 2020.

APPENDIX 2

1 The Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Regulation, B.C. Reg. 265/2002, is amended in Part 1 by adding the following section:

Modifications in relation to COVID-19 emergency

- 2.01** (1) This section applies in relation to the provision of assistance for May, June and July, 2020 to or for
- (a) a family unit that
 - (i) was eligible on April 2, 2020, or includes a person who was in a family unit that was eligible on April 2, 2020, for disability assistance or hardship assistance, or
 - (ii) includes a person with disabilities who was a person with disabilities on April 2, 2020, or
 - (b) a family unit that is described in section 2.1 (1) (a) of the Employment and Assistance Regulation.
- (2) Section 10 (1) is to be read as though it also provided that the following assets are exempt for the purposes of section 10 (2):
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (3) Section 1 (a) of Schedule B is to be read as though it also provided that the following are exempt from income when calculating the net income of a family unit for the purposes of section 24 (b) of this regulation:
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (4) Section 6 of Schedule D is to be read as though it also provided that no deduction is to be made for the following when calculating the maximum amount of hardship assistance for which an applicant's family unit is eligible under section 2 of that Schedule:
- (a) an income support payment under the *Canada Emergency Response Benefit Act*;
 - (b) employment insurance.
- (5) This section is repealed on August 1, 2020.