

*Suspension of Allowance*

25. (1) The payment of an allowance shall be suspended
- (a) during the absence of a recipient from Canada, but the provincial authority may, if satisfied that the circumstances so justify, pay the allowance for any period of absence not exceeding a total of ninety-two days in the twelve-month period preceding the return of the recipient to Canada;
  - (b) while serving any sentence to imprisonment that exceeds thirty days;
  - (c) during the period that a recipient neglects or refuses to comply with the provisions of the Act and these Regulations or to furnish any information that he is required to furnish pursuant thereto.

(2) No allowance which has been suspended for a period in excess of six months shall be reinstated without first obtaining a certificate under section 6 or 7.

(3) A provincial authority shall recover from a recipient any sum improperly paid by way of allowance whether such sum was paid as the result of non-disclosure of facts, misrepresentations or any other cause, and, if the provincial authority is unable to recover the whole of such sum, the provincial authority shall suspend the payment of the allowance of such recipient until the aggregate amount of the suspended payments equals the sum improperly paid less any amount that has been recovered prior to such suspension; provided that where the recipient has not been guilty of fraud or misrepresentation the provincial authority, in its discretion, may reduce the allowance by an amount of not less than five dollars each month, so that recovery of such overpayment will be made in full within a period of not more than five years or prior to the recipient reaching the age of seventy years, whichever is the sooner.

*Increase or Reduction of Allowance*

26. The provincial authority shall require a recipient to report forthwith any increase or reduction in his income or real property or the income or real property of his spouse and to furnish particulars of any personal property acquired by him or his spouse after the date of his application.

27. Any recipient who desires to apply for an increase in the amount of the allowance to which he may be entitled under the Act, shall notify the provincial authority and shall furnish all necessary information.

*Accounting*

28. Any sums due by Canada to a province in settlement of Canada's share of the net amount expended by the province in payment of allowances shall be ascertained as of the last day of each month, shall be audited by the provincial auditor and shall be paid on the certificate of the provincial auditor as soon thereafter as possible, subject to final audit by officials of the Government of Canada. The accounts submitted by the provincial authority for the purpose of reimbursement shall contain such information as the Minister shall require.

29. In calculating the amount due by Canada to a province no account shall be taken of any sums that, under the provisions of the Act, such province is liable to reimburse another province or to be reimbursed by another province in respect of allowances granted therein or in such other province, nor shall any account be taken of the cost of administering or paying allowances.