

4. If the total duration of the creditable periods completed under the legislation of Canada is less than one year, the competent institution of Canada shall not be required by virtue of this Convention to award benefits in respect of those periods.

Article 12

1. If a person is entitled to a pension or a spouse's allowance under the *Old Age Security Act* solely through the application of the totalizing provisions specified in Article 11, the competent institution of Canada shall calculate the amount of the pension or the spouse's allowance payable to that person in conformity with the provisions of the *Old Age Security Act* governing the payment of a partial pension or a spouse's allowance, exclusively on the basis of the periods of residence in Canada which may be considered under that *Act*.
2. Paragraph 1 shall also apply to a person who is entitled to the payment of a pension in Canada but who has not resided in Canada for the minimum period required by the *Old Age Security Act* for entitlement to a pension outside Canada.
3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Convention,
 - a) an Old Age Security pension shall be paid to a person who is outside Canada only if that person's periods of residence, when totalized as provided in Article 11, are at least equal to the minimum period of residence in Canada required by the *Old Age Security Act* for entitlement to the payment of a pension outside Canada; and
 - b) a spouse's allowance and a guaranteed income supplement shall be paid to a person who is outside Canada only to the extent permitted by the *Old Age Security Act*.