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## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# 1996 No. 1141

## The Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

### Introductory

#### Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 and shall come into operation on such day or days as the Lord Chancellor may by order appoint<sup>F1</sup>.

<b>F1</b> fully exercised by SR 1996/267
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#### Interpretation

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4), the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In this Order—

[<sup>F2</sup>“anonymous entry” has the same meaning as in the Representation of the People Act 1983 (see section 202(1) of that Act);]

“Chief Electoral Officer” has the meaning assigned to it by section 130(1) of the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962;

[<sup>F3</sup>“division” means an administrative court division specified under section 2(2)(a) of the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) Act 2015 for all purposes of a county court or, if different administrative court divisions are specified for different purposes of a county court, an administrative court division specified under section 2(2)(c) of that Act for the residual purposes of the court;]

“the Divisional Jurors List” has the meaning given by Article 4(6) ;

“elector” means a local elector as defined in the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962;

“fixed”, in relation to a fee, means fixed in accordance with section 116(1) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978;

[<sup>F4</sup>“Juries Officer”, in relation to a division, means such officer of the Department as may be designated by the Department in relation to that division;]

“the Jurors List” has the meaning given by Article 4(9);

“jury service” means service on any jury for the trial of any issue, civil or criminal, joined in and triable by any court in Northern Ireland in which such issues are required to be tried by a jury and on any inquiry to be taken or made by or before any master in the [<sup>F5</sup>Court of Judicature] and references to “juror” and “jury” shall be construed accordingly;

“officer of the court” means a [<sup>F6</sup> person designated as a chief clerk under Article 2(2) of the County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 or another civil servant in the Department of Justice whose work relates to the administration of the courts];

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Lord Chancellor under Article 30;

“register of electors” means the last published copy of the register referred to in section 9(1)(b) of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (register of local electors);

“statutory provision” has the meaning assigned to it by section 1(f) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954;

“talesman” means any juror selected under Article 18.

(3) For the purposes of this Order a person is between two particular ages if he has attained the first but not the second.

(4) For the purposes of this Order section 24 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (service of documents) shall have effect with the omission of the word “registering” in subsection (1).

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| <b>F2</b> | Words in art. 2(2) inserted (15.9.2014) by <a href="#">The Anonymous Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/1116)</a> , arts. 1(1), <b>11(2)</b>                                                                                                             |
| <b>F3</b> | Words in art. 2(2) substituted (31.10.2016) by <a href="#">Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 9)</a> , s. 106(2), <b>Sch. 1 para. 108(1)(a)</b> (with <a href="#">Sch. 8 para. 1</a> ); <a href="#">S.R. 2016/387</a> , art. 2(k) (with art. 3)                        |
| <b>F4</b> | Words in art. 2(2) substituted (31.10.2016) by <a href="#">Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 9)</a> , s. 106(2), <b>Sch. 1 para. 108(1)(b)</b> (with <a href="#">Sch. 8 para. 1</a> ); <a href="#">S.R. 2016/387</a> , art. 2(k) (with art. 3)                        |
| <b>F5</b> | Art. 2(2): words in definition of "jury service" substituted (1.10.2009) by <a href="#">Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4)</a> , ss. 59(5), 148(1), <a href="#">Sch. 11 para. 6</a> ; <a href="#">S.I. 2009/1604</a> , <b>art. 2(d)</b>                                  |
| <b>F6</b> | Art. 2(2): words in definition of "officer of the court" substituted (12.4.2010) by <a href="#">Northern Ireland Court Service (Abolition and Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2010 (S.R. 2010/133)</a> , art. 4, <b>Sch. para.16(2)(b)</b> (with arts. 5-7) |

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, Introductory.