

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

INDEPENDENT MONITORING BOARDS: CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 (c. 18)

1. For section 10 substitute—

“Independent monitoring boards

10.—(1) The Secretary of State shall appoint a group of independent monitors (to be known as “the independent monitoring board”) for each prison, young offenders centre and remand centre.

(2) In the case of a prison used as a women’s prison, at least two of the monitors appointed shall be women.”.

2. In section 13(1) for paragraphs (f) and (g) (rules as to functions of boards of visitors and visiting committee) substitute—

“(f) the functions of independent monitoring boards;”.

3. In section 19(3) (entry in visitor’s book to be brought to attention of board of visitors) for “boards of visitors” substitute “independent monitoring board”.

4. In section 39(1) (notification of inquiry into death of prisoner) for “board of visitors or the visiting committee, as the case may be” substitute “independent monitoring board”.

5. In section 47(1A) (provisions of Prison Act to apply to young offenders centres and remand centres) omit “except sections 10, 23 and 46”.