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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006**

**PART II**

**FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES**

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**CORE FIRE AND RESCUE FUNCTIONS**

**Fire safety**

4.—(1) The Board shall make provision for the purpose of promoting fire safety.

(2) In making provision under paragraph (1) the Board shall in particular, to the extent that it considers it reasonable to do so, make arrangements for—

- (a) the provision of information, publicity and encouragement in respect of the steps to be taken to prevent fires and death or injury by fire; and
- (b) the giving of advice, on request, about—
  - (i) how to prevent fires and restrict their spread in buildings and other property; and
  - (ii) the means of escape from buildings and other property in the event of fire.

**Fire-fighting**

5.—(1) The Board shall make provision for the purpose of—

- (a) extinguishing fires; and
- (b) protecting life and property in the event of fires.

(2) In making provision under paragraph (1) the Board shall in particular—

- (a) secure the provision of personnel, services and equipment;
- (b) secure the provision of training for personnel;
- (c) make arrangements for dealing with calls for help and for summoning personnel;
- (d) make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1); and
- (e) make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from action taken for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1).

**Road traffic accidents**

6.—(1) The Board shall make provision for the purpose of—

- (a) rescuing persons in the event of road traffic accidents; and
- (b) protecting persons from serious harm, to the extent that it considers it reasonable to do so, in the event of road traffic accidents.

- (2) In making provision under paragraph (1) the Board shall in particular—
- (a) secure the provision of personnel, services and equipment;
  - (b) secure the provision of training for personnel;
  - (c) make arrangements for dealing with calls for help and for summoning personnel;
  - (d) make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1); and
  - (e) make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from action taken for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1).

### **Emergencies**

7.—(1) The Department may by order confer on the Board functions relating to emergencies, other than fires and road traffic accidents in relation to which the Board has functions under Article 5 or 6.

(2) An order under this Article may make provision as to what the Board shall or may do for the purpose of a function conferred under this Article, and may in particular require or authorise the Board—

- (a) to secure the provision of personnel, services and equipment;
- (b) to secure the provision of training for personnel;
- (c) to make arrangements for dealing with calls for help and for summoning personnel;
- (d) to make arrangements for obtaining information required or likely to be required for the purpose of carrying out the function; and
- (e) to make arrangements for ensuring that reasonable steps are taken to prevent or limit damage to property resulting from carrying out the function.

(3) Before making an order under this Article the Department shall consult the Board and any other persons it considers appropriate.