

1977 No. 233

POLICE**Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1977***Made* 28th July 1977*Coming into operation* 30th August 1977*To be laid before Parliament*

The Secretary of State(a) in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(b) read with section 18 of the Administrative and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1962(c), and after consulting, in accordance with section 34(2) of the said Act of 1970, the Police Authority for Northern Ireland and the Police Association for Northern Ireland and, in accordance with section 4(4) of the Police Act 1969(d), the Police Council for the United Kingdom, hereby with the concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service(e), makes the following regulations:

PART I**CITATION, COMMENCEMENT AND EFFECT***Citation, commencement and effect*

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1977.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 30th August 1977 and shall have effect—

(a) for the purposes of Part II as from 1st September 1976;

(b) for the purposes of Part III as from 1st January 1977;

(c) for the purposes of Part IV as from 1st April 1977.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

“principal regulations” means the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1973(f);

“member” means a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

(a) Formerly the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland; see S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III p. 7541)

(b) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.)

(c) 1962 c. 7 (N.I.)

(d) 1969 c. 63

(e) Formerly the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland; see S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III p. 7541)

(f) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 31 (I, p. 108) as amended by S.R. 1976 No. 270 and S.R. 1977 No. 48

PART II

PROVISIONS HAVING EFFECT FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 1976

Addition to pay

3.—(1) This regulation shall have effect, notwithstanding anything in the principal regulations, for the purpose of increasing the pay of a member of rank not higher than chief superintendent, but any allowance under the principal regulations shall be calculated as if this regulation had not been made.

(2) There shall be paid as additional pay to such a member in respect of any pay period a sum equal to 5 per cent of the total of his pay under Schedule 4 to the principal regulations for that period and the relevant payments payable to him in that period:

Provided that if this sum—

- (a) is less than £2.50 per week, the sum payable shall be £2.50 per week;
- (b) is more than £4 per week, the sum payable shall be £4 per week.

(3) Where the length of a pay period is less than one week, the preceding paragraph shall be applied on the basis of weekly averages for the period calculated by reference to the proportion that 7 bears to the number of days in the period.

(4) Paragraph (2) of this regulation shall apply to a pay period which is a calendar month as if the references to £2.50 per week and £4 per week were respectively references to £10.87 and £17.39 for the period.

(5) In this regulation references to relevant payments are references to payments under any of the following provisions of the principal regulations—

- (a) Regulation 20 (overtime);
- (b) Regulation 21 (allowance for duty on public holidays and rest days);
- (c) Regulation 36(1) (allowances approved by Secretary of State);
- (d) Regulation 48(2) (detective duty allowance);
- (e) Regulation 54A and Schedule 10 (dog handler's allowance);
- (f) Regulation 56 (temporary duty allowance);
- (g) Regulation 58 (allowances approved by Secretary of State).

PART III

PROVISION HAVING EFFECT FROM 1ST JANUARY 1977

Plain-clothes allowance

4.—(1) For paragraph (2) of regulation 47 of the principal regulations (plain-clothes allowance) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

“(2) A plain-clothes allowance payable under paragraph (1) shall be payable at the rate of—

- (a) £129 a year, in the case of a superintendent;
- (b) £122 a year, in the case of an inspector;

- (c) £110 a year, in the case of a sergeant;
- (d) £102 a year, in the case of a constable."

(2) For paragraph (4) of the said regulation 47 there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

"(4) A plain-clothes allowance payable under paragraph (3) shall be payable at the rate of—

- (a) £0.058 an hour, in the case of an inspector;
- (b) £0.053 an hour, in the case of a sergeant;
- (c) £0.049 an hour, in the case of a constable."

Motor vehicle allowance

5.—(1) For sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to the principal regulations (motor vehicle allowance) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(2) The fixed element shall be calculated by reference to the number of completed months comprised in the period of authorised use for the year in question—

- (a) where the cylinder capacity of the motor car in question is 1,750 c.c. or under, at the annual rate set out opposite the cylinder capacity of the car in the second column of the following Table A;
- (b) where the cylinder capacity of the motor car in question is more than 1,750 c.c., at such annual rate as is approved by the Secretary of State."

(2) In sub-paragraphs (3) and (6) of the said paragraph 2 for the words "7,200 miles" in each place where they occur there shall be substituted the words "9,000 miles".

(3) In sub-paragraph (3) of the said paragraph 2 and in paragraph 3 of the said Schedule for the words "1,750 c.c. or more" there shall be substituted the words "more than 1,750 c.c."

(4) For Table A in the said Schedule 7 there shall be substituted the table set out in Appendix 1.

PART IV

PROVISION HAVING EFFECT FROM 1ST APRIL 1977

Subsistence, refreshment and lodging allowances

6. For the table in Schedule 6 to the principal regulations (subsistence, refreshment and lodging allowances) there shall be substituted the table set out in Appendix 2.

Northern Ireland Office
28th July 1977

Roy Mason
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

The concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service given under his Official Seal on 28th July 1977.

(L.S.)

W. E. Wightman
Authorised by the Minister for the
Civil Service

APPENDIX 1

Table substituted for Table A in Schedule 7 to the principal regulations
with effect from 1st January 1977

TABLE A
ESSENTIAL USERS

Cylinder capacity	Annual rate of fixed element	Mileage element	
		Basic rate per mile	Reduced rate per mile
1,451 c.c. or more but less than 1,751 c.c.	£ 197	£ 0.104	£ 0.054
1,200 c.c. or more but less than 1,451 c.c.	169	0.093	0.050
1,000 c.c. or more but less than 1,200 c.c.	162	0.088	0.046
less than 1,000 c.c.	140	0.078	0.042

APPENDIX 2

Table substituted for the Table in Schedule 6 to the Principal Regulations

TABLE

with effect from 1st April 1977

<i>Description of allowance</i>	<i>Superintendents</i>	<i>Inspectors, Sergeants and Constables</i>
	£	£
Refreshment allowance		
(i) for one meal	1.21	1.11
(ii) for two meals	1.75	1.57
Subsistence allowance:		
Period of retention or engagement on duty—		
(i) over 5 hours and not exceed- ing 8 hours	1.75	1.57
(ii) over 8 hours and not exceed- ing 12 hours	2.52	2.27
(iii) over 12 hours and not exceed- ing 24 hours	4.32	3.73
(iv) over 24 hours—at the rate under (iii) above for each complete period of 24 hours' retention or engagement, together with whichever is the appropriate amount under the preceding provisions of this Table for any excess over the aggregate of each complete period		
Lodging allowance—for each night ..	7.74	6.81

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations amend the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1973. For the purposes of regulations 3, 4, 5 and 6 they have retrospective effect as hereinafter mentioned (this is authorised by section 18 of the Administrative and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1962).

Regulation 3 increases with effect from 1st September 1976 the pay of police officers of rank not higher than chief superintendent. The amount of the increase is 5 per cent of the total of the officer's pay and certain allowances subject to a minimum of £2.50 a week and a maximum of £4 a week.

Regulation 4 increases with effect from 1st January 1977 the rates of plain-clothes allowance.

Regulation 5 abolishes with effect from 1st January 1977 the distinction between standard and abated rates of the fixed element of the motor vehicle allowance payable to a police officer whose duties make it essential that he should have a motor vehicle at his disposal, increases the basic mileage rates for essential users and makes other technical amendments to the provisions of the 1973 Regulations about motor vehicle allowance.

Regulation 6 increases with effect from 1st April 1977 the rates of subsistence, refreshment and lodging allowances.