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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1996 No. 13**

**DISABLED PERSONS**

The Northern Ireland Disability Council  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Made - - - - 17th January 1996

Coming into operation 19th February 1996

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 67(1) of, and paragraphs 4(4) and 7(d) of Schedule 5(2) to, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995(3), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Northern Ireland Disability Council Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 19th February 1996.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the Council” means the Northern Ireland Disability Council established under section 50(1)(4) of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995; and

“the Department” means the Department of Health and Social Services.

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(5) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

**Removal from office of a member of the Council**

2. The Department may remove a member of the Council from office in any of the following circumstances—

(a) that he has throughout a continuous period of 6 months ending not earlier than 3 months before the date on which the removal takes effect failed, without the consent of the Council, to attend meetings of the Council;

(b) that he is an undischarged bankrupt or is otherwise unable to pay his debts; and

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(1) Section 67 is modified by paragraph 46 of Schedule 8 to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995  
(2) Paragraphs 4(4) and 7(d) are modified by paragraph 52(2) and (4) of Schedule 8 to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995  
(3) 1995 c. 50; see definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations” set out in section 68(1) as modified by paragraph 47(1) of Schedule 8 to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995  
(4) Section 50(1) is modified by paragraph 33(1) of Schedule 8 to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995  
(5) 1954 c. 33

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(c) that he is incapable of discharging the functions of his office or has been guilty of misbehaviour.

**Expenses of the Council**

3. The Department may, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel, pay expenses of the Council which it is satisfied were reasonably incurred.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on

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17th January 1996.

*D. A. Baker*  
Assistant Secretary

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations prescribe the circumstances in which a member of the Northern Ireland Disability Council established by section 50 of, as modified by Schedule 8 to, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 may be removed from office by the Department of Health and Social Services (regulation 2). They also make provision for the expenses incurred by the Council to be paid by the Department of Health and Social Services with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel (regulation 3).