

This Statutory Rule has been made to correct an error in S.R. 1998 No. 386 and is being issued free of charge to all known recipients of that Statutory Rule

STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1998 No. 422

EMPLOYMENT

**Working Time (Amendment)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998**

Made - - - - 30th November 1998
Coming into operation 1st December 1998

The Department of Economic Development, being a Department designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(1) in relation to measures relating to the organisation of working time(2) and measures relating to the employment of children and young persons(3), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2), and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Working Time (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1998.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(4) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the Working Time Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998

3. In regulation 4(1) of the Working Time Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998(5) after the words “shall not exceed” there shall be inserted the words “an average of”.

(1) 1972 c. 68
(2) S.I.1997/1174
(3) S.I. 1996/266
(4) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(5) S.R. 1998 No. 386

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on

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30th November 1998.

G. I. O'Doherty
Assistant Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations correct an error in the Working Time Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 which implement Council Directive [93/104/EC](#) concerning certain aspects of the organisation of working time (O.J. No. L307, 13.12.93, p. 18) and provisions concerning working time in Council Directive [94/33/EC](#) on the protection of young people at work (O.J. No. L216, 20.8.94, p. 12).

The amendment made by these Regulations makes it clear that a worker's working time, including overtime, in any reference period which is applicable in his case, shall not exceed an average of 48 hours for each seven days. There is provision in the Working Time Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1998 for a worker to agree that that limit should not apply to him.