
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 547

Police Service of Northern Ireland Regulations 2005

PART I

General

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Police Service of Northern Ireland Regulations 2005.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 13 January 2006.

Revocations

2. The following provisions are hereby revoked—

- (a) the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1996(1);
- (b) the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1997(2);
- (c) the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1999(3);
- (d) regulation 23 of the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Unsatisfactory Performance) Regulations 2000(4);
- (e) the Police Service of Northern Ireland Regulations 2002(5);
- (f) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (Amendment) Regulations 2003(6);
- (g) regulation 3 of the Police (Appointments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003(7);
- (h) regulations 2(1) and 3 of the Police (Appointments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004(8);
- (i) the Police Service of Northern Ireland (Amendment) Regulations 2004(9).

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998;

“the Board” means the Northern Ireland Policing Board;

(1) S.R. 1996 No. 473
(2) S.R. 1997 No. 362
(3) S.R. 1999 No. 412
(4) S.R. 2000 No. 316
(5) S.R. 2002 No. 95
(6) S.R. 2003 No. 184
(7) S.R. 2003 No. 372
(8) S.R. 2004 No. 379
(9) S.R. 2004 No. 402

“British Transport Police Force” means the force of constables appointed under section 53 of the British Transport Commission Act 1949⁽¹⁰⁾;

“central committee” has the meaning assigned to it in regulation 14 of the Police Association for Northern Ireland Regulations 1991⁽¹¹⁾;

“the Conduct Regulations” means the regulations relating to conduct and discipline for the time being in force;

“the police service” means the Police Service of Northern Ireland;

“member” means a member of the police service and includes a member who is suspended under the Conduct Regulations;

“the Pensions Regulations” means the regulations relating to Police Service of Northern Ireland pensions for the time being in force;

“the Police Advisory Board” means the Board established under section 45 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998;

“the Police Association” means the Police Association for Northern Ireland;

“police force in Great Britain” has the meaning assigned to a police force in the Police Act 1996⁽¹²⁾ or a police force in the Police (Scotland) Act 1967⁽¹³⁾, as the case may be;

“police support staff” has the meaning given by section 4(6) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000⁽¹⁴⁾;

“police trainee” has the meaning given by section 36(3) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000;

“police trainee regulations” means the Police Trainee Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001⁽¹⁵⁾;

“the Promotion Regulations” means the regulations relating to qualifications and selection for promotion for the time being in force;

“public holiday” means—

- (a) New Year’s Day, St. Patrick’s Day, first Monday in May and last Monday in May, 12th July, last Monday in August, Christmas Day and 26th December; and
- (b) (in addition) in any year where New Year’s Day, Christmas Day or 26th December falls on a Saturday or Sunday, any substitute day;

“university scholar” means a member on a course of university study nominated by the Secretary of State or by the Board following arrangements approved by the Secretary of State.

(2) Nothing in these regulations shall be construed as authorising pay or allowances payable to any person to be reduced retrospectively.

(3) In these regulations a reference to another police force, or to a police force in Great Britain, shall include a reference to the National Crime Squad, and a reference to the chief officer of police of such a force shall include a reference to the Director General of the National Crime Squad.

(10) 1949 c. xxix
(11) S.R. 1991 No. 168
(12) 1996 c. 16
(13) 1967 c. 77
(14) 2000 c. 32
(15) S.R. 2001 No. 369