
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records)
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012**

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012, and shall come into operation on 2nd April 2012.

Amendment of the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

2.—(1) The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007(1) are amended as follows—

(2) In Regulation 7(a), (b) and (c) for “at least 15 days prior to the end of the month following” in each place it appears substitute “not more than 30 days after”.

(3) After Regulation 9 insert—

“Refusal to register; minimum number of applications—

9A. The Department of Justice may, in the case of an application for registration under section 120(2) of the 1997 Act, refuse to register a person who in the opinion of the Department is likely to countersign fewer than 20 applications in any period of twelve months.”

(4) Regulation 11 and the Schedule are omitted.

Amendment of the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Disclosure) Regulations 2008

3.—(1) The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Disclosure) Regulations 2008(2) are amended as follows—

(2) In Regulation 8(1)(a)(ii) for “and” substitute “or”.

(3) For Regulation 8(1)(b) substitute—

“(b) where it appears to the Department of Justice that information is held by a police force in Great Britain in relation to the applicant—

(i) in the record of conviction and cautions held for the use of police forces generally; or

(ii) other than in that record,

the police force which appears to be holding that information.”

(4) Regulation 8(2) is omitted.

(1) [S.I. 2007/3283](#); the Secretary of State’s functions under these Regulations are transferred to the Department of Justice by Article 17 of [S.I. 2010/976](#).

(2) [S.I. 2008/542](#) as amended by [S.I. 2009/1798](#), [2009/2495](#), [2009/3324](#), and [SR 2010/229](#); the Secretary of State’s functions under these Regulations are transferred to the Department of Justice by Article 17 of [S.I. 2010/976](#)

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