

## SCHEDULE

### Amendment of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007

#### 3. In Schedule 8 (appeal to independent medical referee)—

##### (1) For paragraph 1(1) substitute—

“1.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), written notice of appeal against an opinion of the kind mentioned in article 66(2) stating—

- (a) the grounds of the appeal; and
- (b) the appellant's name and his address,

must be given to the Board within 14 days beginning with the date on which he is supplied by it with a copy of the opinion.”.

##### (2) For paragraph 2 substitute—

“2.—(1) On receiving a notice of appeal the Board shall supply the Department with two copies of the notice and two copies of the opinion.

(2) The Department shall refer an appeal to an independent medical referee and shall supply him with a copy of the notice and a copy of the opinion.”.

##### (3) Paragraph 2A(1) is revoked.

(4) In paragraph 3 for “Where an appeal is to be pursued, the independent medical referee shall secure” substitute “The independent medical referee shall secure”.

(5) In paragraph 4, in sub-paragraph (2)(b) for “not less than two months' notice of” substitute “not less than 21 days' notice of”.

##### (6) Paragraph 6A is revoked.

(7) In paragraph 8(2)(a) omit the words “an appeal”.

##### (8) For paragraph 8(3) substitute—

“(3) Where the appellant gives notice to the independent medical referee of withdrawing the appeal within 21 working days of the date appointed for an interview by the independent medical referee under paragraph 4(2), the Board may require the appellant to pay it such sum, not exceeding the total amount of fees and allowances payable to the independent medical referee under paragraph 7(1) as it thinks fit.”.

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(1) Paragraphs 2A and 6A were inserted by [SR 2014 No 169](#).