
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Police Pensions Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

PART 9

Death benefits

CHAPTER 3

Pensions for eligible children

Meaning of “eligible child”

143.—(1) In these Regulations, “eligible child”, in relation to a deceased member of this scheme, means a person mentioned in paragraph (2) who meets one of the conditions in paragraph (3)—

(2) The persons are—

- (a) a natural child of a member born before the member’s death;
- (b) a natural child of a member born after member’s death if the child’s mother was pregnant with the child at the date of the member’s death;
- (c) an adopted child or step child of the member; or
- (d) any other child or young person who, in the opinion of the scheme manager, at the date of the member’s death, was substantially dependent on the member financially or because of physical or mental impairment.

(3) The conditions are—

- (a) that the person is under 19 years;
- (b) that the person is under 23 years and in full-time education or full time vocational training on a course of at least one year’s duration;
- (c) that the person is under 23 and, in the opinion of the scheme manager unable to engage in any regular employment because of physical or mental impairment;
- (d) that in the opinion of the scheme manager—
 - (i) the person is dependent on the member at the date of the member’s death because of physical or mental impairment;
 - (ii) the person is unable to engage in any regular employment because of that impairment; and
 - (iii) that impairment is likely to be permanent.