

SCHEDULE

POLICE SERVICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND CODE OF ETHICS ETHICAL STANDARDS REQUIRED OF POLICE OFFICERS

Article 4 Use of Force

4.5. Before police officers resort to the use of firearms, they shall identify themselves and give a clear warning of their intent to use firearms, with sufficient time for the warnings to be observed, unless to do so:

- (a) would unduly place any person at a risk of death or serious injury; or
- (b) would be clearly inappropriate or pointless in the circumstances of the incident.

(Sourced from: Article 10 United Nations Basic Principles on the Use of Force and Firearms by Law Enforcement Officials.)