

**2016 No. 48**

**CRIMINAL LAW**

**The Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Duty to co-operate with  
Commissioner) (Northern Irish public authority) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2016**

*Made* - - - - *12th February 2016*

*Coming into operation* - *1st April 2016*

The Department of Justice makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 43(8) and 58(6) and (7) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015(a).

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Duty to co-operate with Commissioner) (Northern Irish public authority) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2016.

**Northern Irish Public Authority**

2. In Schedule 3 (Public authorities under a duty to co-operate with the Commissioner), after “The Gangmasters Licensing Authority.”, insert—

“Northern Irish public authority

Law enforcement

The Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland

The Probation Board for Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland Departments

The Department of Justice for Northern Ireland

Health bodies

The Regional Health and Social Care Board

The Belfast Health and Social Care Trust

The Northern Health and Social Care Trust

The South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

The Southern Health and Social Care Trust

The Western Health and Social Care Trust”

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Justice on 12th February 2016



*David Ford*  
Minister of Justice

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

Section 43 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (“the Act”) empowers the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner to request a “specified public authority” to co-operate with the Commissioner in any way that the Commissioner considers necessary for the purposes of the Commissioner’s functions. Specified public authorities are listed in Schedule 3 to the Act.

Section 43(8) of the Act provides that the Department of Justice may add a public authority, known as a “Northern Irish public authority”, to the list of specified public authorities listed in Schedule 3. These Regulations specify the Northern Irish public authorities for the purposes of section 43 of and Schedule 3 to the Act.

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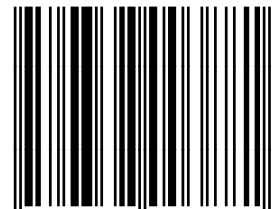
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