STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2023 No. 133

The Firefighters' Pensions (Remediable Service) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023

PART 4

Provision about divorce and dissolution arrangements

CHAPTER 2

Arrangements on divorce, annulment or dissolution other than a pension sharing order

Arrangements other than a pension sharing order: calculating the value of pension benefits

26.—(1) This regulation applies where—

- (a) the value of the remediable rights of a member ("M") must be determined for the purpose of proceedings connected to M's divorce, annulment or the dissolution of M's civil partnership,
- (b) the divorce, annulment or dissolution is to take effect—
 - (i) on or after 1st October 2023, and
 - (ii) before the earlier of—
 - (aa) a decision taking effect in relation to M's remediable service as a firefighter, or
 - (bb) the end of the relevant election period, and
- (c) the value of M's remediable rights is not to be subject to a pension sharing order.

(2) The value of M's remediable rights for the purpose of the proceedings is the greater of those rights valued by the scheme manager, having consulted the scheme actuary, as if they were—

- (a) secured in M's legacy scheme, or
- (b) secured in the reformed scheme.
- (3) In this regulation—

"decision" means an immediate choice decision or a deferred choice decision;

"pension sharing order" means an order or provision by virtue of which article 26 of WRP(NI)O 1999 applies in relation to M's remediable rights;

"relevant election period" means, where M is-

- (a) a deferred choice member, the section 10 election period in relation to M;
- (b) an immediate choice member, the section 6 election period in relation to M;

"remediable rights" means the rights secured by virtue of M's remediable service as a firefighter.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 26 in operation at 1.10.2023, see reg. 1

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Firefighters' Pensions (Remediable Service) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023, Section 26.