

Travelling Expenses

REGULATIONS, DATED 30TH APRIL, 1948, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER ARTICLE 4 (b) OF PART IV OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

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The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Article 4 (b) of Part IV of the First Schedule of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, (in these Regulations referred to as "the Act"), hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Services (Travelling Expenses) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2.—(1) The Northern Ireland General Health Services Board and the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority may make to their members or to the members of any Committee thereof, other than a Hospital Management Committee, (a) payments in respect of travelling expenses in accordance with the rules contained in Part I of the Schedule hereto, (b) payments in respect of subsistence expenses in accordance with the rules contained in Part II of the said Schedule, and (c) payments in respect of other out-of-pocket expenses in accordance with the rules contained in Part III of that Schedule.

(2) Any reference in this Regulation and in the Schedule hereto to a committee of a body shall be deemed to include a reference to a sub-committee of a committee.

3.—The making of any payment under these Regulations shall be conditional on—

- (a) certification by the member that, so far as travelling and subsistence allowances are concerned, the expenses were actually and necessarily incurred whilst engaged on the business of the body or committee of which he is a member; and on—
- (b) the observance of such conditions as the body authorised to make the payment may call for or impose.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this thirtieth day of April One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight in the presence of.

(L.S.)

Thos. Elwood,

Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

PART I

RULES WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENT OF TRAVELLING EXPENSES

1. The payment shall be made in respect of expenses incurred by a member in attending meetings of the body or committee to which the member belongs or in travelling on business approved by the body or committee.

2. Except as provided in paragraph 8 below, the sum paid shall not exceed the amount disbursed by the member.

3. First class railway and steamship fares shall be payable but members shall take the fullest possible advantage of any available cheap fares.

4. Subject as provided in the next following paragraph, expenditure on the hire of vehicles shall not be paid if an adequate public service is available but a member hiring a vehicle shall be entitled to claim the sum he would have been paid had he travelled by such a service.

5. Expenditure on the hire of vehicles shall be payable in cases of urgency or in other cases in which transport is reasonably required and an adequate public service is not available.

6. A member making an overnight journey by rail and engaging sleeping car accommodation may receive the cost, but any subsistence allowances payable to him for that night shall be reduced by one-third.

7. Fares for air travel shall be payable if either

(a) the excess cost by comparison with fares for surface travel does not exceed the additional subsistence allowances that would have been payable in respect of surface travel; or

(b) in the case of a member of a body or of a committee of a body mentioned in Regulation 2 of these Regulations, that body resolves, as regards either a particular journey or a class of journeys, that the saving of time involved is so substantial as to justify payment.

8. If the member uses his private motor vehicle in circumstances which involve a substantial saving in his time and are otherwise reasonable, or where it is in the interests of the body that the member should use his private motor vehicle in preference to a public service, the following mileage allowances shall be payable:—

Motor cars 6d a mile for the first 2,880 miles in any year and thereafter 3d a mile.

Tri-cars 3d a mile for all mileage covered.

Motor cycles (with or without side-cars) 2½d a mile.

Motor-assisted pedal cycles and vehicles of similar type 1½d a mile.

If a member uses a private motor vehicle in circumstances where travel by a public service would be appropriate, a mileage allowance of 1½d a mile shall be payable, irrespective of the type of vehicle.

Where other members are conveyed in the same vehicle on business relating to services provided, or to be provided, under the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland) 1948, and where their fares by a public service would otherwise be payable under these Regulations, an allowance of ½d a mile for each passenger carried shall be payable.

9. In this part of this Schedule "public service" refers to railways, steamships, omnibuses and tramways, and to aircraft so far as payments in respect of air travel are authorised by paragraph 7 hereof.

PART II

RULES WITH RESPECT TO THE PAYMENT OF SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

1. An allowance not exceeding 30s. shall be payable in respect of each night when a member is necessarily absent from his home or place of business on the business of the body or committee. The allowance shall be reduced to 25s. 6d. a night after the first seven nights at one place, and any case in which a member is likely to spend, or does spend, more than 28 nights in one place shall be reported to the Ministry of Health and Local Government who shall fix a special rate in accordance with the circumstances,

2. A night allowance shall be deemed to cover a single period of absence of 24 hours.

3. A day allowance in respect of duties not involving a night's absence shall be payable at the rate of 3s. 6d. when a member is necessarily absent from his home or place of business for more than five hours but not more than eight hours and at the rate of 8s. 4d. when his absence exceeds eight hours.

PART III

RULES WITH RESPECT TO OTHER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES

1. Payment may be made of an amount not exceeding the actual amount of out-of-pocket expenses necessarily incurred by a member on the business of the body or committee of the body, not being expenses referred to elsewhere in this Schedule. Where the amount of a claim by a member under this Part of this Schedule exceeds ten shillings, payment may be made only with the approval of the Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Tribunal

REGULATIONS, DATED 21ST OCTOBER, 1948, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTIONS 16 AND 80 OF THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

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The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland (in these Regulations referred to as "the Ministry") in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections sixteen and eighty of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, hereby makes the following Regulations, that is to say :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Services (Tribunal) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

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pretation.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them :—

"the Act" means the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948 ;

"the Authority" means the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority ;

"the Board" means the Northern Ireland General Health Services Board ;

"complainant" means any person or body making a representation to the Tribunal ;

"inquiry" means an inquiry held under Section sixteen of the Act ;

"representation" means a representation made to the Tribunal that the inclusion or continued inclusion of any person in any of the lists mentioned in sub-section (1) of Section sixteen of the Act would be prejudicial to the efficiency of the services in question ;