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## County Councils — Travelling Expenses

REGULATIONS, DATED 25TH AUGUST, 1952, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTIONS TWENTY-SEVEN AND TWENTY-EIGHT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1952. No. 160

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry"), in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections twenty-seven and twenty-eight of the Public Health and Local Government (Administrative Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Local Government (County Councils) (Travelling Expenses) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952, and shall be deemed to have had effect from the first day of April, 1952.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purposes 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. Regulation 3 of the Local Government (County Councils) (Travelling Expenses) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946 (a) (hereinafter called "the principal regulations") shall have effect as if after the word "incurred" there were added the words "unless the Ministry otherwise directs".

3. For Part I of the Schedule to the principal regulations, under the heading "TRAVELLING EXPENSES", there shall be substituted the following:—

"1. If the member travels by railway, omnibus, steamship, aeroplane, taxi-cab, or hired motor-car, the amount payable shall not exceed the actual fare paid by the member.

Provided that where a railway or omnibus service is available and the member chooses to travel by taxi-cab or hired motor car, the expenses payable shall not exceed the amount of the fare which would have been payable if the member had travelled by railway or omnibus.

Provided also that fares for air travel shall only 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

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1946, No. 209.

- (b) the council or committee as the case may be 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.

" 2. 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 council or committee as the case may be that the member should use his private motor vehicle in preference to a public service, the following mileage allowances shall be payable :—

- (i) Motor cars exceeding 10 horse-power : 9*d.* a mile for the first 2,000 miles for which in any year the member uses a private motor car, 7½*d.* a mile for the next 5,000 miles in the same year, and thereafter in the same year 6*d.* a mile ;
- (ii) Motor cars not exceeding 10 horse-power : 7½*d.* a mile for the first 2,000 miles for which in any year the member uses a private motor car, 5¾*d.* a mile for the next 5,000 miles in the same year, and thereafter in the same year 4½*d.* a mile ;
- (iii) Tri-cars : 3½*d.* a mile ;
- (iv) Motor cycle combinations : 3*d.* a mile ;
- (v) Motor cycles : 2½*d.* a mile ;
- (vi) Motor-assisted pedal cycles and vehicles of similar type : 2*d.* 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 2*d.* a mile shall be payable, irrespective of the type of vehicle.

Where other members are conveyed in the same vehicle on business of the council or committee, and where fares by a public service would otherwise be payable under these Regulations, an allowance of ½*d.* a mile for each passenger carried shall be payable on journeys qualifying for the rates of allowance set out in sub-paragraphs (i) to (vi) above, and of 1*d.* a mile, subject to a limit of 4*d.* a mile for four or more passengers, for each passenger carried on journeys not qualifying for the said rates of allowance.

Provided that for the purpose of calculating mileage under sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) no account shall be taken of mileage for which the rate, excluding any allowance for passengers, is 2*d.* a mile."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, this twenty-fifth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two, in the presence of

(L.S.)

Ronald Green,  
Assistant Secretary.