

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO THE FIREMEN'S PENSION SCHEME

Part H: Determination of questions and appeals

18. In rule H1 (determination by fire authority)–

- (a) in paragraph (2), for the words “and consider” to the end of the paragraph substitute “the written opinion of an independent qualified medical practitioner selected by them and the opinion of the independent qualified medical practitioner shall be binding on the fire authority.”;
- (b) after paragraph (2), insert–
 - “(2A) In his written opinion, the independent qualified medical practitioner must certify that–
 - (a) he has not previously advised, or given his opinion on, or otherwise been involved in, the particular case for which the opinion has been requested; and
 - (b) he is not acting, and has not at any time acted, as the representative of the member, the fire authority, or any other party in relation to the same case.”; and
- (c) in paragraph (3), omit “or practitioners.”.

19. In rule H2 (appeal against opinion on a medical issue) in paragraph (3) for “a medical issue” substitute “any issue referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) to (f) of rule H1(2)”.