### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Firefighters' Pension Schemes (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2015

## PART 2

Amendment of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2015

### **Insertion of regulation 71A**

12. After regulation 71, insert—

### "Option to commute part of an equivalent amount

**71A.**—(1) A member who becomes entitled to the immediate payment of an equivalent amount to the NFPS lower tier ill-health pension or to an equivalent amount to the 1992 Scheme lower tier ill-health pension may opt under this regulation to exchange part of the pension for a lump sum.

(2) The option may only be exercised—

- (a) by written notice to the scheme manager which sets out the amount to be commuted; and
- (b) before the first payment of the equivalent amount to the NFPS lower tier illhealth pension or to an equivalent amount to the 1992 Scheme lower tier ill-health pension is made.

(3) Where the person is entitled to the immediate payment of an equivalent amount to the NFPS lower tier ill-health pension and exercises the option to commute under this rule, the lump sum is calculated—

- (a) in the case of a person who is a connected member of the NFPS in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (4) of rule 9 (commutation : general) of Part 3 of the NFPS, and
- (b) in the case of a person who is a connected special member of the NFPS in accordance with paragraphs (2A), (4) and (4A) of rule 9 of Part 3 of that Scheme.".