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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Approval of Enforcement Agencies Regulations 2000**

**Authorisation of individuals to execute warrants**

**11.**—(1) The provisions concerning the authorisation of individuals to execute warrants referred to in regulation 6(10) above are those contained in the following paragraphs of this regulation.

(2) None of the individuals listed in regulation 5(1) above shall be permitted by the agency to execute a warrant unless the committee has issued a certificate of authorisation in relation to that individual in accordance with paragraph (3) or (4) of this regulation.

(3) In notifying the grant of approval to a successful applicant, the committee shall either—

- (a) confirm that all the individuals concerning whom information was given under regulation 8(2) may be authorised by the agency to execute warrants; or
- (b) impose conditions on the agency stating which of those individuals may be authorised to execute warrants;

and in either case the committee shall issue each individual to be authorised to execute warrants with a certificate of authorisation signed by the justices' chief executive.

(4) Where, subsequent to the grant of approval, the agency proposes to authorise an individual to execute warrants—

- (a) the agency shall apply to the committee for authorisation in relation to that individual, supplying all relevant details including references and the matters set out in regulations 5 and 8(2);
- (b) the committee shall consider that application;
- (c) if the committee decides to grant that application, it shall issue a certificate of authorisation signed by the justices' chief executive.

(5) The committee may at any time withdraw the authorisation granted under this regulation in relation to any individual.

(6) The agency shall issue each individual authorised to execute warrants with an identity card, displaying—

- (a) a photograph of that individual, and
- (b) a photographic reproduction of the certificate of authorisation.

(7) The contract shall provide that each individual authorised to execute warrants shall—

- (a) carry at all times and produce on demand the identity card issued in accordance with paragraph (6) above; and
- (b) whether demanded or not, show that card to every person against whom he is executing a warrant.

(8) Every certificate of authorisation under this regulation shall be issued subject to the condition that, should the committee withdraw their authorisation of the individual in question or revoke their approval of the agency—

- (a) the certificate, together with the identity card issued under paragraph (6) above, shall immediately be returned to the committee for destruction;

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(b) the agency shall satisfy the committee that any copy of such a certificate or identity card in its possession has been destroyed or defaced in such a way as to show that the certificate is no longer in force.

(9) The committee may arrange for the justices' chief executive to carry out such of their functions under this regulation in relation to the authorisation of individuals as they see fit, and any reference to the committee in the preceding paragraphs of this regulation shall where appropriate be construed as including a reference to the justices' chief executive.