
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1992 No. 807

The Industrial Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1992

PART II

DEFINITION, STATUS AND GENERAL REGULATION OF TRADE UNIONS AND EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATIONS

Records and returns

Returns, etc., by trade unions and employers' associations outside Northern Ireland

12.—(1) Any trade union or employers' association carrying on business in Northern Ireland and being a trade union or employers' association to which^[F1] section 32 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992] applies shall,—

- (a) within one month of the date on which it sends an annual return under^[F1] subsection (1)] of that section, send to the Certification Officer a copy, certified in such manner as the Certification Officer may require, of that annual return; and
- (b) before 1st June in every year, send to the Certification Officer a statement setting forth, in relation to the business carried on by the trade union or employers' association in Northern Ireland in the last preceding calendar year, such particulars of its receipts and payments, and such other information, as the Certification Officer may require.

(2) Any trade union or employers' association carrying on business in Northern Ireland but having its head or main office outside the United Kingdom shall, before 1st June in every year, send to the Certification Officer a statement setting forth, in relation to the business carried on in Northern Ireland in the last preceding calendar year, such particulars of its receipts and payments, and such other information, as the Certification Officer may require.

(3) Every trade union and employers' association carrying on business in Northern Ireland but not having its head or main office in Northern Ireland shall furnish to the Certification Officer, before 1st June in every year, the names and addresses of some one or more persons resident in Northern Ireland authorised to accept on its behalf service of process and any notices required to be served on it.

(4) Any process or notice required to be served on a trade union or employers' association to which paragraph (3) applies shall be sufficiently served if—

- (a) it is addressed to any person whose name has been furnished to the Certification Officer under that paragraph and left at, or sent by post to, the address which has been so furnished; or
- (b) where—
 - (i) any such trade union or employers' association makes default in furnishing to the Certification Officer the name and address of a person resident in Northern Ireland who is authorised to accept on its behalf service of process or notices; or

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(ii) at any time all the persons whose names and addresses have been so furnished are dead, or have ceased to so reside, or refuse to accept service on behalf of the trade union or employers' association, or for any reason cannot be served, it is left at, or sent by post to, any place where the business of the trade union or employers' association is carried on in Northern Ireland.

(5) The Certification Officer, if in any particular case he considers it appropriate to do so, may direct that the date before which a trade union or employers' association must comply with paragraph (1)(a) or (b), (2) or (3) shall be such other date (whether before or after that specified in paragraph (1)(a) or (b), (2) or (3)) as may be specified in the direction.

(6) The Certification Officer shall at all reasonable hours keep available for public inspection, either free of charge or on payment of a reasonable charge, copies of all documents sent to him under this Article.

(7) Paragraph (8) of Article 11 applies for the purposes of this Article as it applies for the purposes of Article 11.

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- Instrument excl by [1994 c. 33 s. 127\(8\)](#)
- Instrument restr (pt retrospect) by [1994 c. 33 s. 126\(1\)s. 126\(2\)\(b\)\(4\)](#)