
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1995 No. 1980

**The Trade Union and Labour Relations
(Northern Ireland) Order 1995**

PART III

ELECTIONS FOR CERTAIN POSITIONS

Supplementary

Overseas members

27.—(1) A trade union which has overseas members may choose whether or not to accord any of those members entitlement to vote at an election for a position to which this Part applies. 46

(2) An “overseas member” means a member of the union (other than a merchant seaman or offshore worker) who is outside Northern Ireland throughout the period during which votes may be cast.

For this purpose—

“merchant seaman” means a person whose employment, or the greater part of it, is carried out on board sea-going ships; and

“offshore worker” means a person in offshore employment within the meaning of section 287 of the Great Britain Act, other than one who is in such employment in an area where the law of Great Britain applies.

(3) Where the union chooses to accord an overseas member entitlement to vote, Article 17 (requirements as to voting) applies in relation to him; but nothing in Article 13 (candidates) or Article 16 (entitlement to vote) applies in relation to an overseas member or in relation to a vote cast by such a member.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Northern Ireland) Order 1995, Section 27.