STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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PART II

OCCUPATIONAL PENSIONS

Employee trustees

Time off for performance of duties and for training

- **42.**—(1) The employer in relation to a trust scheme must permit any employee of his who is a trustee of the scheme to take time off during his working hours for the purpose of—
 - (a) performing any of his duties as such a trustee, or
 - (b) undergoing training relevant to the performance of those duties.
- (2) The amount of time off which an employee is to be permitted to take under this Article and the purposes for which, the occasions on which and any conditions subject to which time off may be so taken are those that are reasonable in all the circumstances having regard in particular to—
 - (a) how much time off is required for the performance of the duties of a trustee of the scheme and the undergoing of relevant training, and how much time off is required for performing the particular duty or, as the case may be, for undergoing the particular training, and
 - (b) the circumstances of the employer's business and the effect of the employee's absence on the running of that business.
- (3) An employee may present a complaint to an industrial tribunal that his employer has failed to permit him to take time off as required by this Article.
- (4) For the purposes of this Article, the working hours of an employee are any time when in accordance with his contract of employment he is required to be at work.