EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations give the protection for and duties of employees under the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 ("the 1978 Order") and the other relevant statutory provisions to those who are provided with "relevant training" as defined in regulation 2. "Relevant statutory provisions" is defined in Article 2(2) of the 1978 Order.

For the purposes of the 1978 Order and the other relevant statutory provisions regulation 3 extends the meaning of "work" and "at work" to include relevant training as defined in regulation 2; and regulation 4 provides that the trainee shall be treated as if he were the employee of the person whose undertaking is the immediate provider of the training.

The Regulations do not apply if the immediate provider of the relevant training is an educational establishment and it is provided on a course run by the establishment nor if the training is received under a contract of employment.

Regulation 5 revokes the Health and Safety (Youth Training Programme) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985.