## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## 2005 No. 151

## The Fair Employment Tribunal (Rules of Procedure) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

## **Composition of tribunals**

**6.**—(1) For each hearing, the President or the Vice-President shall select a chairman, who shall be the President, the Vice-President or a member of the panel of chairmen, and the President or the Vice-President may select himself.

(2) In any proceedings which are to be determined by a tribunal comprising a chairman and two other members, the President or the Vice-President shall select one of those other members from the panel of persons appointed by the Department under regulation 5(1)(d) and the other from the panel of persons appointed under regulation 5(1)(e).

(3) In any proceedings which are to be determined by a tribunal whose composition is described in paragraph (2), those proceedings may, with the consent of the parties, be heard and determined in the absence of any one member other than the chairman.

(4) In any proceedings which are to be determined by a tribunal whose composition is described in paragraph (2), those proceedings may, with the consent of the parties, be heard and determined by the chairman mentioned in paragraph (1) alone (whether or not the parties have subsequently withdrawn their consent).

(5) The President or the Vice-President may at any time select from the appropriate panel another person in substitution for the chairman or other member of the tribunal previously selected to hear any proceedings before a tribunal or chairman.

(6) Subject to Article 82(6) of the Fair Employment and Treatment Order, the President or the Vice-President may direct that if he is absent or unavailable a person appointed to the panel of chairmen may exercise his functions under regulation 4(2) and (3), paragraphs (2) and (4), Articles 17 and 85 of the Fair Employment and Treatment Order and his power of selection under paragraph (1).