
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No. 7

**The Firefighters' Compensation Scheme
(Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015**

Citation, commencement, effect and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Firefighters' Compensation Scheme (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) this Order shall come into operation on 1st April 2015.

(3) The following provisions of the Schedule shall have effect from 1st April 2006—

- (a) paragraph 1(2), (3), (4)(a), (b)(ii), (iii) and (iv), (5)(a)(ii) and (6);
- (b) paragraph 2(2)(a) and (c);
- (c) paragraphs 3, 4 and 5;
- (d) paragraph 7(2)(b) and (3);
- (e) paragraphs 8, 9, 10 and 11;
- (f) paragraphs 1(1), 2(1) and 7(1) so far as necessary for the purposes of sub-paragraphs (a) to (e).

(4) In this Order—

“the Compensation Scheme” means the Scheme set out in the Annex to the Firefighters' Compensation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007(1);

“retained firefighter” has the meaning given in the Compensation Scheme (as amended by this Order).

Amendment of the Firefighters' Compensation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007

2. The Annex to the Firefighters' Compensation Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007 is amended in accordance with the Schedule.

Transitional provisions

3.—(1) The amendments made by article 2 and paragraphs 6 (award for or in relation to a retained or volunteer firefighter) and 7 (prevention of duplication) of the Schedule shall not have effect in relation to a person in respect of whom a determination or decision relevant to whether death or permanent disablement has been occasioned by a qualifying injury (coming within the meaning of rule 7 of Part 1 of the Compensation Scheme) has been made before the coming into operation of this Order.

(2) The amendments made by article 2 and paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Schedule shall not have effect in relation to a person who has been in continuous employment as a retained firefighter since 5th April 2006 and has sustained an injury in the performance of his duties as a firefighter before the coming into operation of this Order where it is subsequently determined that that injury is a

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qualifying injury (coming within the meaning of rule 7 of Part 1 of the Compensation Scheme) and that he is permanently disabled as a result of that injury.

(3) In a case to which paragraph (1) or (2) applies and in relation to the provisions mentioned in that paragraph, the provisions of the Compensation Scheme, in the form in which they existed immediately before the coming into operation of this Order, shall continue to have effect in relation to such a person.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 19th January 2015



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The Department of Finance and Personnel approves this Order
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