

Ulster Constabulary Pay Orders, 1950, and those Orders and this Order may be cited together as the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pay Orders, 1950 to 1951.

Dated this 5th day of July, 1951.

Brian Maginess,

Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. MAYNARD SINCLAIR, Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland, hereby signify my concurrence in the foregoing Order.

Dated this 11th day of July, 1951.

J. M. Sinclair,

Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland.

Representative Body

RULES, DATED 25TH JULY, 1951, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER THE CONSTABULARY AND POLICE (IRELAND) ACT, 1919, AS APPLIED BY THE CONSTABULARY ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922.

1951. No. 146

WHEREAS by section one of the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Act, 1919, as applied by the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, it is provided that for the purpose of enabling the members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary to consider and bring to the notice of the Inspector General and of the Minister of Home Affairs all the matters affecting their welfare and efficiency, other than questions of discipline and promotion affecting individuals, there shall be established in the Force in accordance with Rules made by the Minister of Home Affairs a representative body or bodies for all or each of the ranks below the rank of Deputy Inspector General consisting of representatives elected by the members of the ranks or rank represented from amongst their number in manner prescribed by those Rules.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE BRIAN MAGINESS, K.C., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the said Acts and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, do hereby make the following Rules :—

PART I

COUNTY CONSULTATIVE BOARDS

1. For the purposes of these Rules, the County Borough of Belfast Areas and each County in Northern Ireland shall each constitute an "area".

Constitu-
tion.

2. There shall be established in each area a body to be known as "The County Consultative Board", hereinafter in these Rules referred to as "Board". Each such Board shall consist of one Head Constable and a number of Sergeants and a number of Constables each equivalent to the number of police Districts in the area. Members of Boards shall be elected in the manner prescribed in Rule 3.

Elections.

3.—(1) The Head Constables stationed in each area shall elect one of their number to be a member of the Board for the area.

(2) The Sergeants stationed in each police District shall elect one of their number to be a member of the Board for the area in which the District is situated.

(3) The Constables stationed in each police District shall elect one of their number to be a member of the Board for the area in which the District is situated.

(4) Each candidate for election shall be nominated and seconded by persons of the same rank who will sign the printed nomination form.

(5) Nominations for election to the Board for the County Borough of Belfast shall be lodged with the Commissioner, Belfast, hereinafter in these Rules referred to as the Commissioner, and nominations for election to the Boards for other areas shall be lodged with the County Inspector for the area at least ten clear days before the date of the election.

(6) The Commissioner or the County Inspector, as the case may be, shall on receiving the nominations prepare a list for each rank, containing the rank, surname, Christian name and station of each candidate, and the names of the Proposer and Secunder, and shall cause such lists to be exhibited at each police station in his area at which men of similar rank are stationed, not less than three clear days before the date of the election.

(7) On the day of the election each member of the rank represented on the Board shall vote for the candidate of his own rank whom he prefers by writing the name and Registered Number of such candidate on the voting paper supplied. He shall then place the voting paper in an envelope, seal the envelope, write his own name and rank on the back thereof and lodge the sealed envelope with the person in charge of the station. Polling shall be from eight o'clock in the forenoon until half past eight o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

(8) As soon as possible after the close of the poll, but not later than the following day, the envelopes containing the votes shall be forwarded by the person in charge of the station in a sealed packet to the District Inspector of the District, who, without delay or loss of post, will forward such packets (unopened) in a sealed parcel to the County Inspector of his County or to the Commissioner, as the case may require, who will then proceed to count the votes recorded in the presence of scrutineers appointed from the Headquarters Station, one for each rank represented on the Board.

(9) On the completion of the counting of the votes the Commissioner or the County Inspector shall, in the presence of the scrutineers, add together the number of the votes recorded for each candidate standing for election for his area and for each police District in his area and shall declare elected those candidates who have the higher or highest number of votes.

(10) Where an equality of votes is found to exist between competing candidates, and the addition of a vote would enable any of such candidates to be declared elected, the senior of the candidates whose votes are equal shall be declared elected.

(11) No person shall control, direct or influence or in any other way interfere with or cause to be controlled, directed or influenced or interfered with, the nomination or election of a candidate.

(12) The Commissioner or County Inspector shall, as soon as practicable after the result of the poll, cause the names of the candidates and the number of votes recorded for each candidate to be circulated to each police station in his area and to the Inspector General.

(13) A member absent for any reason from the area or police District in which he is stationed shall be entitled to vote for a representative for that area or district only, and it shall be his responsibility to have his vote recorded as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Rule and lodged with the District Inspector of the District in which he is stationed before the closing of the poll, provided, however, that his vote may be dispatched to such District Inspector before the opening of the poll if it is enclosed in a second covering envelope.

(14) On the completion of the count the Commissioner or County Inspector shall, in the presence of the scrutineers, place the voting papers in an envelope or envelopes, seal the envelope or envelopes and retain them for a period of twenty-eight days and then cause them to be destroyed.

4. A Board shall —

- (a) ascertain the views of members of the ranks represented ^{Functions.} on the Board who are stationed in the area for which the Board is established on matters affecting their welfare and efficiency other than questions of discipline and promotion affecting individuals ;
- (b) decide, having regard to such views what matters or questions it shall seek to put forward for discussion by the Central Representative Body ;
- (c) elect members of the ranks represented on the Board to serve on the Central Representative Body as hereafter provided in Part II of these Rules, and notify the Inspector General and Commissioner or County Inspector of the names of those so elected ;

- (d) arrange with the Secretary of the Central Representative Body the agenda of the meetings of that Body on matters affecting the ranks represented on the Board ;
- (e) consider such other matters as may from time to time be referred to it by the Inspector General.

Chairman
and
Secretary.

5. The Head Constable elected to serve on a Board shall be the Chairman of that Board. Each Board shall choose its Secretary from amongst its members, and notify the Commissioner or County Inspector of the name of the member so chosen. Where there is disagreement between members of a Board on any matter under consideration the question at issue shall be decided by vote and in the event of there being equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

Resignations,
transfers,
etc., of
members.

6. A member of a Board shall cease to be a member of that Board on leaving the Force, on changing his rank, on resignation from the Board or on his transfer (in the case of a Head Constable) to another area or (in the case of a Sergeant or Constable) to another police District, and any vacancy on a Board so arising shall be filled, if the vacancy is for a Head Constable, by co-opting a Head Constable who is stationed in the area for which the Board is established or if the vacancy is for a Sergeant or Constable, by co-opting a Sergeant or Constable who is stationed in the police District in which the former member of the Board was stationed. The names of any members so co-opted shall be notified to the Inspector General and Commissioner or County Inspector. In the event of a police District being abolished, the Sergeant and the Constable representing that District on the Board established for the area in which the District is situated, shall cease to be members of the Board.

Meetings.

7. The first elections of members of Boards shall be held in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one in the month of October and every third year thereafter in the month of October. Retiring members shall be eligible for re-election. The annual meeting of Boards shall be held in the month of December at such times and places as the Commissioner or County Inspector may determine. Meetings for special purposes shall be held as occasion requires and on such dates and at such places as the Inspector General may determine.

PART II

CENTRAL REPRESENTATIVE BODY

Joint areas.

8. For the purposes of this part of these Rules, the Counties of Northern Ireland shall be grouped as follows :—

- (a) County Antrim and County Londonderry (including the County Borough of Londonderry) ;
 - (b) County Armagh and County Down ;
 - (c) County Tyrone and County Fermanagh ;
- and each group shall constitute a " joint area ".

9. For the purpose of enabling members of the Force to consider and bring to the notice of the Inspector-General and of the Minister of Home Affairs any matter affecting their welfare and efficiency, other than questions of discipline and promotion affecting individuals, there shall be established in the Force as hereinafter provided in this Part of these Rules, a Central Representative Body consisting of one County Inspector, four District Inspectors, four Head Constables, seven Sergeants and seven Constables.

10.—(1) The County Inspectors will elect one of their number. Constitu-
tion.

(2) The District Inspectors stationed in the County Borough of Belfast will elect one of their number, and the District Inspectors stationed in each joint area will each elect one of their number.

(3) The Head Constable serving on the Board established for the County Borough of Belfast, and the senior of the two Head Constables serving on the Boards existing in each joint area shall be members of the Central Representative Body.

For the purposes of this paragraph seniority shall be determined by reference to the Seniority List for Head Constables.

(4) The Sergeants serving on the Board established for each area will each appoint one of their number.

(5) The Constables serving on the Board established for each area will each appoint one of their number.

(6) The persons elected or appointed under paragraphs (1), (2), (4) and (5) of this Rule shall be members of the Central Representative Body.

11.—(1) The method of election of District Inspectors under paragraph (2) of Rule 10 shall be as hereinafter in this Rule prescribed. Member-
ship.

(2) Each candidate for election shall be nominated and seconded by persons of the same rank who will sign the printed nomination form.

(3) Nominations for the election of a representative for the County Borough of Belfast shall be lodged with the Commissioner and nominations for election of a representative for a joint area shall be lodged with the senior County Inspector serving in that area at least 10 clear days before the date of the election.

(4) The Commissioner or the Senior County Inspector aforesaid, as the case may require, shall, on receiving the nominations, prepare a list containing the rank, surname, Christian name and headquarters of each candidate and the names of the Proposer and Seconder, and shall cause such list to be exhibited at each Headquarters station in his area or joint area at which persons of District Inspector rank are attached, not less than three clear days before the date of election. The senior County Inspector shall, before the date of the election, forward a copy of the aforesaid list to the Commissioner or Deputy-Commissioner.

(5) On the day of the election each District Inspector will vote for the candidate he prefers by writing the name of such candidate on the voting paper supplied. He will then place the voting paper in an

Election of
District
Inspectors.

envelope, seal the envelope and write his own name and rank on the back thereof, and will then forward the sealed envelope, enclosed in a second covering envelope, to the Commissioner, or, in his absence, to the Deputy Commissioner. Polling shall be from eight o'clock in the forenoon until half past eight o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

(6) On the day following the day of the poll, or as soon as practicable thereafter, the Commissioner, or in his absence the Deputy Commissioner, shall, in the presence of a scrutineer of the rank of District Inspector, count the votes recorded for each candidate and shall declare elected the candidate standing for each area or joint area who has received the higher or highest number of votes. He shall then cause the result of the poll to be communicated to the Inspector General and to each station to which District Inspectors are attached. The person in charge of the station shall cause the result to be displayed at the station.

(7) Where an equality of votes is found to exist between competing candidates for any area or joint area and the addition of a vote would enable any of such candidates to be elected, the senior of the candidates whose votes are equal shall be declared elected.

(8) A District Inspector absent for any reason from the area or joint area in which he is stationed shall be entitled to vote for a representative for that area or joint area only, and it shall be his responsibility to have his vote recorded as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Rule, and forwarded to the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner provided, however, that his vote may be so forwarded before the opening of the poll.

(9) After the completion of the count and declaration of the result of the poll the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner shall, in the presence of the scrutineer, place the voting papers in an envelope, seal the envelope and retain it for a period of twenty-eight days and shall then cause it to be destroyed.

(10) No person shall control, direct or influence or in any way interfere with, or cause to be controlled, directed or influenced or interfered with, the nomination or election of a candidate.

Election of
County
Inspector.

12. The Senior County Inspector shall make the necessary arrangements for the election of the County Inspector to serve on the Central Representative Body and in doing so he shall observe, in so far as they are appropriate and applicable, the provisions prescribed in Rule 11.

Appoint-
ment of
Sergeants.

13. In appointing one of their number to be a member of the Central Representative Body under paragraph (4) of Rule 10, the Sergeants serving on the Board established for each area shall meet, nominate one of their number as Chairman of the meeting and proceed to make the necessary appointment. If there is disagreement as to the person to be appointed the selection shall be determined by vote and in the event of equality of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

14. In appointing one of their number to be a member of the Central Representative Body under paragraph (5) of Rule 10, the Constables serving on the Board established for each area shall meet, nominate one of their number as Chairman of the meeting and proceed to make the necessary appointment. If there is disagreement as to the person to be appointed the selection shall be determined by vote and in the event of equality of votes the Chairman of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

Appoint-
ment of
Constable.

15. A member of the Central Representative Body shall cease to be a member of that Body on leaving the Force, on changing his rank, on resignation from the Board, or (except in the case of the County Inspector) on his transfer out of the area or joint area which he represents on that Body. A County Inspector vacancy so arising shall be filled by the election of another County Inspector in accordance with the provisions of this Part of these Rules, and a vacancy in another rank so arising shall be filled by the members of the Central Representative Body of that rank co-opting another member of the same rank who is stationed in the area or joint area in which the vacancy arose.

Resignations,
transfers,
etc., of
members.

16. The County Inspector elected to serve on the Central Representative Body shall be the chairman of that Body. The Central Representative Body shall choose a Secretary from amongst its number and may, if it thinks fit, in like manner choose a Deputy Chairman. The Secretary will at once notify the Inspector General and County Consultative Boards of his appointment.

Chairman
and
Secretary.

17. The Head Constables, Sergeants and Constables serving on the Central Representative Body may, if they think fit, for the purpose of considering any matter affecting their ranks, form themselves into a separate Representative Body to be known as the Men's Representative Body, and the Officers serving on the Central Representative Body may, for a like purpose and in a like manner, form themselves into a separate Representative Body to be known as the Officers' Representative Body. Each separate Representative Body shall appoint its Chairman and Secretary from amongst its own members.

Officers' and
Men's Re-
presentative
Bodies.

18. Where there is disagreement between members of the Central Representative Body or the Men's or Officers' Representative Bodies on any matter under consideration, the question at issue shall be decided by vote and, in the event of there being equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

Chairman's
casting vote.

19. The first election and appointment of members to serve on the Central Representative Body shall take place in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one in the month of December, and every third year thereafter in the month of December. Retiring members shall be eligible for re-election or re-appointment. The first annual meeting of the Central Representative Body shall be held in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-two in the month of January and thereafter in the month of January of each year at such place and time as the Inspector

Meetings.

General may determine. Meetings for special purposes shall be held as occasion requires and on such dates and at such places as the Inspector General may determine.

PART III

GENERAL

Requests for information.

20. The Central Representative Body, the Officers' Representative Body and the Men's Representative Body may make application to the Inspector General for any information which they consider to be necessary to assist them in their deliberations, and in so far as the Inspector General considers it practicable and desirable in the interests of efficiency to do so the information sought shall be supplied.

Leave to attend meetings.

21. The members of all the Representative Bodies and the County Consultative Boards established in accordance with the provisions of these Rules shall be given leave, not to be reckoned as annual leave, to enable them to attend at duly authorised meetings of the Board or Body on which they have been elected to serve, and every such attendance shall, for the purpose of allowances and expenses, be deemed to be an occasion of police duty.

Time off duty for consultations.

22. The Commissioner or the County Inspector shall, subject to the exigencies of the public service, grant to members of Boards, for the purpose of enabling them to consult those whom they represent, such time off duty as may be requested of him, and as he may consider necessary, for the aforesaid purpose.

23. The Rules made by the Minister of Home Affairs on the 20th July, 1923, are hereby revoked.

Dated this 25th day of July, 1951.

Brian Maginess,
Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

Reward Fund

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH DECEMBER, 1951, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CONSTABULARY ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922.

1951. No. 223

The Ministry of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (5) of section 4 of the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland), 1922 (as amended by section 4 of the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland), 1928), and by section 20 of the Exchequer and Audit Act, 1921, hereby makes the following Regulations :—