

(5) In a school in which, in addition to the post of vice-principal, one or more posts of special responsibility are recognised, either the post of vice-principal or one of such posts of special responsibility shall normally be held by a woman teacher, and in a school in which the points score exceeds 500, either the post of vice-principal or one of the posts of special responsibility shall normally be held by a woman in charge of the infants' department."

5. Regulations 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 and 49 of, and the First Schedule to, the existing Regulations are hereby repealed.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 28th day of February, 1957, in the presence of

(L.S.)

*R. S. Brownell,*  
Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations:

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 28th day of February, 1957, in the presence of

(L.S.)

*C. J. Bateman,*  
Assistant Secretary.

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REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH JUNE, 1957, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947 TO 1956, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

1957. No 121

[C]

The Ministry of Education in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 104 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1947, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Primary Schools (General) (Amending) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957.

2. The existing Regulations hereby amended are the Primary Schools (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949(a), as amended by the Primary Schools (General) (Amending) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950(b), 1952(c), 1953(d) and 1957(e).

(a) S.R. & O. 1949, No. 100.

(d) S.R. & O. 1953, No. 10.

(b) S.R. & O. 1950, No. 106.

(e) S.R. & O. 1957, No. 39.

(c) S.R. & O. 1952, No. 129.

3. Regulation 56 of the existing Regulations shall be amended by the substitution of "57, 58 and 59" for "57 and 58".

4. Regulation 59 of the existing Regulations is hereby revoked and the following substituted therefor:—

"59—(1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (6), a teacher who is a married woman shall be required to be absent from her school duties for a period to be determined by the school authorities of not less than 18 weeks and not more than 26 weeks continuously during the period preceding and succeeding childbirth of which not less than 11 weeks should precede the week in which the birth takes place.

(2) In respect of the period of absence prescribed in Paragraph (1) the teacher shall be entitled to incremental credit as if it were teaching service.

(3) In exceptional circumstances the period of absence may, at the teacher's request and subject to the approval of the Ministry, be extended by the school authorities and in respect of such extension a teacher shall not be entitled to incremental credit.

(4) A teacher shall not be entitled to salary in respect of any period of absence under the provisions of this Regulation and the aforesaid period shall not be deemed to be absence owing to illness.

(5) On the expiry of the period of absence under the provisions of this Regulation the appointment of the teacher shall be automatically terminated unless she resumes teaching duties or produces satisfactory medical evidence that she is unable to resume duty owing to illness and that her absence is not due to childbirth.

(6) This Regulation shall apply to absences which commence after 31st March, 1958: Provided that in respect of any absence which commenced on or before that date the provisions of Regulation 59 of the existing Regulations shall apply as if this Regulation had not been made."

5.—(1) In this Regulation "a reorganised school" means a school in which the enrolment has been directly affected by the reorganisation of the educational facilities in the district normally served by the school.

(2) In a reorganised school the maximum number of teachers shall be determined by the Ministry, having regard to the enrolment or the estimated enrolment of the school at the date of reorganisation.

(3) In a reorganised school the points score for the purpose of Regulation 21 of the existing Regulations which governs the recognition of a vice-principal and posts of special responsibility shall be determined by the Ministry, having regard to the enrolment or the estimated enrolment of the school at the date of reorganisation.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 28th day of June, 1957, in the presence of

(L.S.)

*Leslie Arndell,*  
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 28th day of June, 1957, in the presence of

(L.S.)

*C. J. Bateman,*  
Assistant Secretary

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

Regulation 4 implements the majority recommendation regarding maternity leave which is contained in the Final Report of the Committee appointed by the Minister of Education to consider the salaries, allowances and other matters affecting the remuneration of teachers (cmd. 366). Regulation 5 clarifies the staffing position in reorganised schools.

#### Primary Schools: Salaries and Allowances

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH FEBRUARY, 1957, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947 TO 1956, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

1957. No. 38

[C]

The Ministry of Education (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 83 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1947, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1957.

(2) These Regulations shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st October, 1956.

2. The existing Regulations hereby repealed are the Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954(a), as amended by the Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Amending Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1955(b).