
S T A T U T O R Y I N S T R U M E N T S

1980 No. 1258

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE, ENGLAND AND WALES
The Magistrates' Courts Committees (Constitution)
(Amendment) Regulations 1980

Made - - - - - 19th August 1980

Coming into operation in accordance with Regulation 1(2)

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 21 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1979(a), I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts Committees (Constitution) (Amendment) Regulations 1980.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on 1st December 1980 save that for the purposes of appointing members of committees to hold office from that date these Regulations shall come into operation on 1st October 1980.

2. In the Schedule to the Magistrates' Courts Committees (Constitution) Regulations 1973(b) for paragraph 4 there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“4. Where the application of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Schedule in relation to a non-metropolitan county or metropolitan district would produce a total of more than 35 members, paragraph 1 shall have effect in relation to that county or district as if for the number “20” there were substituted the lowest number divisible by 5 which produces a total of not more than 35 members.”.

W. S. I. Whitelaw,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office.
19th August 1980.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Magistrates' Courts Committees (Constitution) Regulations 1973 so as to alter the formula which ensures that the number of members of a magistrates' courts committee for a non-metropolitan county or metropolitan district does not exceed 35. The number of members from each division will be calculated by dividing the maximum number of justices specified by the Lord Chancellor for the division by the lowest number divisible by 5 which produces a total membership not exceeding 35.