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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2008 No. 963**

**The Sex Discrimination (Amendment  
of Legislation) Regulations 2008**

**Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Sex Discrimination (Amendment of Legislation) Regulations 2008 and come into force on the fifth day after the day on which they are made, or on 6th April 2008, whichever is the later.

(2) Regulations 2(1) and 4 extend to Great Britain only.

(3) Regulations 1(7), 2(2) and 5 extend to Northern Ireland only.

(4) Regulation 3 extends to England and Wales only.

(5) The remainder of these Regulations extend to the whole of the United Kingdom.

(6) In these Regulations—

“the 1975 Act” means the Sex Discrimination Act 1975(1) and;

“the 1976 Order” means the Sex Discrimination (Northern Ireland) Order 1976(2).

(7) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(3) shall apply to regulations 1(3), 2(2) and 5 and Schedule 2 as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

**Amendment of the 1975 Act and the 1976 Order**

2.—(1) The 1975 Act shall be amended in accordance with Schedule 1.

(2) The 1976 Order shall be amended in accordance with Schedule 2.

**Amendment of the Public Health Act 1936**

3. In subsection (3)(c) of section 87 of the Public Health Act 1936(4) (provision of public conveniences) omit “, other than urinals,”.

**Transitional provisions in respect of the 1975 Act**

4.—(1) The amendment made by paragraph 17 of Schedule 1 (burden of proof) shall not apply in relation to proceedings where the act complained of took place before the date on which these Regulations come into force.

(2) The amendment made by paragraph 18 of Schedule 1 (time for answering questions from aggrieved persons) shall not apply in the case of a question served on a respondent before the date on which these Regulations come into force.

(3) Section 45(3)(a)(iv) of the 1975 Act, inserted by paragraph 13 of Schedule 1 (insurance) shall not apply to contracts entered into before 22nd December 2008.

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(1) 1975 c.65.

(2) S.I. 1976/1042 (N.I.15)

(3) 1954 c.33 (N.I.)

(4) 1936 c.49; section 87(3) was amended by the Local Government Act 1972 (c.70), section 180 and Schedule 14, paragraph 9(2).

**Transitional provisions in respect of the 1976 Order**

5.—(1) The amendment made by paragraph 17 of Schedule 2 (burden of proof) shall not apply in relation to proceedings where the act complained of took place before the date on which these Regulations come into force.

(2) The amendment made by paragraph 18 of Schedule 2 (time for answering questions from aggrieved persons) shall not apply in the case of a question served on a respondent before the date on which these Regulations come into force.

(3) Article 46(3)(a)(iv) of the 1976 Order, inserted by paragraph 13 of Schedule 2 (insurance), shall not apply to contracts entered into before 22 December 2008.

Signed by authority of the Lord Privy Seal

1st April 2008

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