STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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POLICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Police Federation (Amendment) Regulations 2015

Made - - - -	*9th March 2015*
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Coming into force - -	*2nd April 2015*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 60(1), (2) and (3) of the Police Act 1996(**1**), makes the following Regulations.

In accordance with section 60(4) of that Act, before making these Regulations the Secretary of State has consulted the three Central Committees of the Police Federation of England and Wales sitting together as a Joint Committee.

Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Police Federation (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 2ndApril 2015.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

(3) In these Regulations "the 1969 Regulations" means the Police Federation Regulations 1969(**2**).

Amendments to the Police Federation Regulations 1969

2. The 1969 Regulations are amended in accordance with regulations 3 to 9.

3. In regulation 2, for paragraph (1) substitute—

"(1) In these Regulations, "Federation funds" means all funds raised for Federation purposes and includes—

(a) all funds held by the Federation or branch board, joint branch board, central committee or joint committee of the Federation;

(**1**) 1996 c. 16. Section 60 was amended by section 134(1) of, and paragraph 80 of Schedule 9 to, the Police Act 1997 (c. 50); sections 59 and 174(2) of, and paragraphs 68 and 75 of Schedule 4 and Part 2 of Schedule 17 to, the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15); and section 99 of, and paragraphs 1 and 37 of Schedule 16 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13). There are other amending instruments to these Regulations but none are relevant.

(**2**) S.I. 1969/1787. Amended by S.I. 1990/1575, S.I. 2004/2660, S.I. 2006/594 and S.I. 2007/2751 ; there are other amending instruments but none are relevant.

(b) all funds held on behalf of the Federation or any branch board, joint branch board, central committee or joint committee of the Federation;

(c) all funds in relation to which the Federation or any branch board, joint branch board, central committee or joint committee of the Federation is the beneficiary.".

4. In regulation 4—

(a) in paragraph (2)(a), after "superintendent" insert "who opts to be a member of the Federation";

(b) in paragraph (2)(b), after "force" insert "who opts to be a member of the Federation";

(c) after paragraph (2), insert—

"(3) Every member of a police force below the rank of superintendent, and police cadet—

(a) may opt, but is not required, to join the Federation within six months of joining that force or starting their cadet training;

(b) who opts to join the Federation under sub-paragraph (a) may opt, but is not required, to pay voluntary subscriptions to the Federation;

(c) who does not opt to join the Federation under sub-paragraph (a), may opt, but is not required, to join the Federation at any subsequent point during that person's membership of a force or cadet training;

(d) who opts to join the Federation under sub-paragraph (c) may opt, but is not required, to pay voluntary subscriptions to the Federation;

(e) who opts to pay voluntary subscriptions to the Federation under sub-paragraph (d), has the same entitlement to the provision of advice and representation in relation to specified matters as a member who opted to pay voluntary subscriptions to the Federation under sub-paragraph (b).

(4) In this regulation, "specified matters" means—

(a) disciplinary proceedings under the Police (Conduct) Regulations 2012(**3**);

(b) unsatisfactory performance procedures under the Police (Performance) Regulations 2012(**4**);

(c) complaints or other matters falling within section 12 of the Police Reform Act 2002(**5**);

(d) complaints relating to police cadets in relation to their cadet training.

(5) Every member of the Federation is entitled, on giving not less than one month's notice, to terminate their membership of the Federation, but a shorter period of notice may be given where the Federation agree to such a shorter period.".

5. After regulation 4, insert—

"**4A.** Each branch board of the Federation must—

(a) notify each new member below the rank of superintendent, or police cadet, of that force that they may, but are not required to, opt to join the Federation;

(**3**) S.I. 2012/2632.
(**4**) S.I. 2012/2631.
(**5**) 2002 c. 30. Section 12 was amended by section 160 of, and Schedule 12 to, the Serious Organised Crime and Policing Act 2005 (c. 15); sections 95, 98 and 99 of, and Schedules 14, 15 and 16 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13); and section 2 of the Police (Complaints and Conduct) Act 2012 (c. 22).