STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No. 421

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

PENSIONS

The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) (No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

Made - - - -	*17th December 2015*
Coming into operation	*18th January 2016*

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by article 10(1), (3), (4) and (5) of the Fire Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1984(**1**) and now vested in it(**2**) and with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel(**3**), in accordance with article 10(1) of that Order, makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and effect

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Amendment) (No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

(2) This Order comes into operation on 18th January 2016 and has effect from 1st April 2015.

Amendment of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007

2.—(1) The Annex to the Firefighters' Pension Scheme Order (Northern Ireland) 2007(**4**) is amended as follows.

(2) In article 28 (surviving spouse's or civil partner's requisite benefit and temporary pension), in paragraph (5)(b) for "Government Actuary" substitute "Scheme Actuary".

(3) In article 43A (bereavement pension: children)(**5**), in paragraph (2)(b) for "died, and" substitute "died.".

(4) In Schedule 4 (awards on death-children), in Part II (child's accrued allowance)—

(**1**) S.I. 1984/1821 (N.I. 11) Article 10(5) was amended by S.I. 1998/1549 (N.I. 11) Article 4. Article 10 was continued by S.I. 2006/1254 (N.I. 9) Article 60(1) and (2)
(**2**) See S.R. 1999 No. 481 Article 6 (c) and Schedule 4, Part III
(**3**) Formerly the Department of Finance. See S.I. 1982/338 (N.I. 6) Article 3
(**4**) S.R. 2007 No.144 amended by S.R. 2008 No. 382, S.R. 2012 No. 161, S.R. 2013 No. 85, S.R. 2014 Nos.56 & 169 and S.R. 2015 Nos. 8 & 11.
(**5**) Article 43A was inserted by S.R. 2014 No. 169.

(a) in paragraph 3(1)(b) for "article 72 (servicemen)" substitute "article 72 (pensionable service)";

(b) in paragraph 4—

(i) in sub-paragraph (a) for "(restriction on payment)" substitute "(deferred pension)";

(ii) in sub-paragraph (b) for "Part VI or VI of Schedule 2" substitute "Part VI or VII of Schedule 2".

(5) In Schedule 7 for the Table in paragraph 3 of Part A1 (pension contributions) substitute the following Table—

"Pensionable Pay	*Contribution rate from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016 (percentage of pensionable pay)*
Up to and including £15,150	11.0%
More than £15,150 and up to and including £21,210	12.2%
More than £21,210 and up to and including £30,300	14.2%
More than £30,300 and up to and including £40,400	14.7%
More than £40,400 and up to and including £50,500	15.2%
More than £50,500 and up to and including £60,600	15.5%
More than £60,600 and up to and including £101,000	16.0%
More than £101,000 and up to and including £121,200	16.5%
More than £121,200	17.0%

Pensionable Pay	*Contribution rate from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017 (percentage of pensionable pay)*
Up to and including £15,301	11.0%
More than £15,301 and up to and including £21,422	12.2%
More than £21,422 and up to and including £30,603	14.2%
More than £30,603 and up to and including £40,804	14.7%
More than £40,804 and up to and including £51,005	15.2%
More than £51,005 and up to and including £61,206	15.5%
More than £61,206 and up to and including £102,010	16.0%