STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No. 350

CRIMINAL LAW

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendments No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

Made - - - -	*1st October 2015*
Coming into operation	*2nd November 2015*

The Department of Justice makes the following Regulations, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 120ZA, 120AC(7) and 125(1) and (5) of the Police Act 1997(**1**) as modified by section 126A of that Act(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 and shall come into operation on 2nd November 2015.

Amendment to the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

2.—(1) The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007(**3**) are amended as follows.

(2) After regulation 10 (limit on number of countersignatures) insert—

"**Registered persons: information on progress of an application**

11. The Department may refuse an application from a person who is acting as a registered person in relation to an application made under section 113A or section 113B of the 1997 Act for information whether or not a certificate has issued in response to an application, where a period of 90 days has elapsed since that certificate was issued.".

(**1**) Section 120ZA was inserted by section 328 of, and paragraphs 1, 7 and 9 of Schedule35 to, the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44); section120ACwas inserted by section 37 of the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2015 (2015 c. 9 (N.I.)).

(**2**) Section 126A was inserted by Article 12 of, and paragraph 38 of Schedule14 to, the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/976).

(**3**) S.I. 2007/3283 as amended by Regulation 2(4) of the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.I. 2012/86) which omitted Regulation 11 on 2 April 2012; the Secretary of State's functions under these Regulations are transferred to the Department of Justice by Article 17 of S.I. 2010/976.