STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2003 No. 376

POLICE

The Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998 (Modification) Order 2003

Made - - - -	*12th August 2003*
Laid before Parliament	*13th August 2003*
Coming into operation	*8th September 2003*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 36A(4) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000(**1**) and after consulting, in accordance with section 36A(5) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000, the Northern Ireland Policing Board and the Police Association for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following Order:

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998 (Modification) Order 2003 and shall come into operation on 8th September 2003.

(2) In Article 2, "relevant person" means a person appointed to the Police Service of Northern Ireland under section 36A(1) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000 (Fixed-term appointments to the Police Service of Northern Ireland), who was a member of the Garda Síochána immediately before his appointment under section 36A(1), whose appointment under that section has ended, but who remains a member of the Garda Síochána.

2. Section 25 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998(**2**) (Regulations for the Police Service of Northern Ireland) shall have effect as if it enabled provision to be made in relation to a relevant person in respect of conduct by such person at a time when that person was a member of the Police Service of Northern Ireland.

3. Section 35 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998 (Membership of trade unions) shall have effect in its application to members of the Garda Síochána appointed under section 36A(1) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000 (Fixed-term appointments to the Police Service of Northern Ireland) as if in section 35(4) after "membership of the Police Association" there were inserted "or of an association established under Irish legislation for the purpose of representing members of the Garda Síochána"(**3**).

(**1**) 2000 c. 32; section 36A was inserted by section 24 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2003 (c. 6)
(**2**) 1998 c. 32
(**3**) Relevant legislation is section 13 of the Garda Siochana Act 1924 (1924, No. 25) (section 13 was substituted by section 1 of the Garda Síochána Act, 1977, No. 24); the Garda Síochána (Associations) Regulations 1978 (as amended) (No. 135/1978); and the Garda Síochána (Associations) (Superintendents and Chief Superintendents) Regulations 1987 (as amended)