STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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POLICE

Police (Appointments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003

Made - - - -	*7th August 2003*
To be laid before Parliament	
Coming into operation	*5th September 2003*

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of sections 25 and 26 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998(**1**) and section 44 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000(**2**), after consulting the Northern Ireland Policing Board, the Chief Constable, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland and the Police Association for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Police (Appointments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 5th September 2003.

Appointment as police trainee or police reserve trainee

2. In regulation 2(2) of the Police (Recruitment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2001(**3**) (qualified candidate for appointment as a police trainee or police reserve trainee) –

(a) for sub-paragraph (a) (candidate must be British subject, Commonwealth citizen or citizen of the Republic of Ireland) there shall be substituted –

"(a) who, if not a national of a State which is a Contracting Party(**4**) to the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992(**5**) as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993(**6**), must have leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom for an indefinite period;" and

(**1**) 1998 c. 32
(**2**) 2000 c. 32
(**3**) S.R. 2001 No. 140, as amended by S.R. 2003 No. 385
(**4**) The current members of the European Economic Area are Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom
(**5**) O.J. No. L1, 3.1.94, p. 3
(**6**) O.J. No. L1, 3.1.94, p. 571