STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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POLICE

Police Service of Northern Ireland (Amendment) Regulations 2003

Made - - - -	*20th March 2003*
To be laid before Parliament	
Coming into operation	*21st April 2003*

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998(**1**), read with section 18 of the Administrative and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1962(**2**) and after consulting, in accordance with section 25(8) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 1998, the Northern Ireland Policing Board and the Police Association and, after taking into account the recommendations made by the Police Negotiating Board for the United Kingdom and supplying that Board with a draft of the regulations in accordance with section 62(1) of the Police Act 1996(**3**), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

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

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 21st April 2003.

(3) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1996(**4**).

Re-introduction of Chief Superintendent Rank

2. In section 77(1) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000(**5**) in the definition of "senior officer" before the word "superintendent" there shall be inserted the word "chief".

3. The principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(1) In regulation 4 (Ranks) below "assistant chief constable" there shall be inserted the words "Chief Superintendent."

(**1**) 1998 c. 32
(**2**) 1962 c. 7 (N.I.)
(**3**) 1996 c. 16
(**4**) 1996 No. 473
(**5**) 2000 c. 32

(2) In regulation 27(2)(a) , 27(3) and 27(4) (Public holidays and monthly leave days for ranks above chief inspector) after "superintendent" there shall be inserted "or chief superintendent".

(3) In regulation 37(3) and (4) (Temporary Salary) after "superintendent" there shall be inserted "or chief superintendent".

(4) In regulation 49(8)(a) (Removal Allowance) where the word "superintendent" appears there shall be substituted "chief superintendent".

(5) In regulation 49(8)(b) after "superintendent" there shall be inserted "or chief superintendent".

(6) In regulation 52(1), (2) and (3) (Subsistence, refreshment and lodging allowances) on each occasion where the word "superintendent" appears there shall be substituted "chief superintendent".

(7) In regulation 52(4)(b) after "superintendent" there shall be inserted "or chief superintendent".

(8) In regulation 52(6) where the word "superintendent" appears there shall be substituted "chief superintendent".

(9) In regulation 54(4) (Motor vehicle allowances) where the word "superintendent" appears there shall be substituted "chief superintendent".

(10) In Schedule 4 (Annual Leave) –

(a) in paragraph 1(1)(a) after "superintendent" there shall be inserted "or chief superintendent";

(b) in paragraph 1(1)(b) where the word "superintendent" appears there shall be substituted "chief superintendent".

(11) In paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 8 (Subsistence, refreshment and lodging allowances) the words "rank of superintendent" shall be replaced by "ranks of superintendent or chief superintendent".

Insertion after regulation 8 of the principal regulations – Qualifications for appointment to the force (other than a person who has completed a period as a police trainee)

4. After regulation 8 (Business interests precluding appointment to the force) of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following:

"**9.**—(1) A candidate for appointment to the force, other than a person who has completed a period as a police trainee, shall –

(a) produce satisfactory references as to character and, if he has served in any police force, in the armed forces, in the civil service or as a seaman, produce satisfactory proof of his good conduct while so serving;

(b) have attained the age of 18 years;

(c) be certified by a registered medical practitioner approved by the Northern Ireland Policing Board to be in good health, of sound constitution and fitted both physically and mentally to perform the duties on which he will be employed after appointment;

(d) if a candidate for appointment in the rank of sergeant or inspector, be qualified for promotion to such rank in accordance with the provisions of the Promotion Regulations;

(e) give such information as may be required as to his previous history or employment or any other matter relating to his appointment to the force;

(f) be given a notice in terms approved by the Secretary of State drawing attention to the conditions of service contained therein;