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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

The Health and Social Services Trusts (Public Meetings) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994

Made	*1st March 1994*
Coming into operation . .	*1st April 1994*

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by paragraph 7(2) and (3) of Schedule 3 to the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health and Social Services Trusts (Public Meetings) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1994.

(2) In these Regulations, "the Order" means the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991.

Timing of the public meeting for the presentation of the audited accounts and annual report

2. For the purposes of paragraph 7(2) of Schedule 3 to the Order, the prescribed time for holding a public meeting of an HSS trust shall be on or before 30th September in every year, other than that which includes the operational date of the trust.

Other public meetings

3. For the purposes of paragraph 7(3) of Schedule 3 to the Order—

(*a*) the circumstances in which an HSS trust shall hold a public meeting are those where it has received an auditor's report made under the provisions of Article 92A(4) of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**b**);

(*b*) the time for holding the meeting is as soon as practicable, and in any event not later than three months, after the date on which the HSS trust received that report; and

(*c*) the document which shall be presented at the meeting is that report.

(**a**) S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1)
(**b**) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14), as amended; the relevant amendment is Article 5 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1994 (S.I. 1994/429 (N.I. 2))