1992 No. 447

POLICE

Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1992

Made . . . . . *29th September 1992*

Coming into operation . . *1st December 1992*

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**a**), read with section 18 of the Administrative and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1962(**b**), and after consulting in accordance with section 34(2) of the said Act of 1970, the Police Authority and the Police Association, and after taking into account the recommendations made by the Police Negotiating Board for the United Kingdom and furnishing that board with a draft of the regulations in accordance with section 2(1) of the Police Negotiating Board Act 1980(**c**), hereby with the concurrence of the Treasury makes the following regulations:—

Citation, operation and effect

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Amendment) Regulations 1992.

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on 1st December 1992 but shall have effect for the purposes of regulation 5 as from 19th March 1991, for the purposes of regulation 7 as from 30th June 1991, and for the purposes of regulations 8 and 9 as from 31st August 1991

Provided that regulation 43 of the principal regulations shall continue to apply as it had effect immediately before the coming into operation of these regulations in relation to any move which took place before 20th March 1991.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations any reference to the principal regulations is a reference to the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1984(**d**).

Business interests incompatible with membership of the force

3.—(1) In paragraph (2) of regulation 8 of the principal regulations after the word "and" there shall be inserted the words ", within 28 days of the receipt of that notice,".

(a) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163 and S.I. 1981/1670
(b) 1962 c. 7 (N.I.)
(c) 1980 c. 10
(d) S.R. 1984 No. 62; the relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1984 No. 380, S.R. 1985 No. 119, S.R. 1985 No. 292, S.R. 1985 No. 362, S.R. 1986 No. 118, S.R. 1986 No. 314, S.R. 1987 No. 205, S.R. 1987 No. 441, S.R. 1989 No. 207, S.R. 1990 No. 74, S.R. 1990 No. 435 and S.R. 1991 No. 459

(2) There shall be substituted for paragraph (3A) of that regulation the following paragraph—

"(3A) On receipt of a notice given under paragraph (3) the Police Authority shall require the chief constable to submit to them, within the next following 10 days, a notice setting out the reasons for his decision and copies of any documents on which he relies in support of that decision; and the Police Authority shall send to the member concerned copies of such notice and documents and shall afford him a reasonable opportunity, being in no case less than 14 days, to comment thereon.".

(3) In paragraph (4) of that regulation after the word "shall" in the first place where it occurs there shall be inserted the words ", within 28 days of receiving his comments on the notice and any other documents submitted by the chief constable under paragraph (3A) or of the expiration of the period afforded for making comments if none have by then been received,".

Advances of pay

4. In regulation 37 of the principal regulations there shall be added after paragraph (2) the following paragraph—

"(3) The Police Authority may, if they think fit, pay to a member such part of his pay as they may determine in advance of the day on which it would otherwise be due to be paid in accordance with this regulation.".

Removal allowance

5.—(1) In paragraph (1)(*d*) of regulation 43 of the principal regulations for the word "13" there shall be substituted the word "26" and for the words "a further period not exceeding 39 weeks" there shall be substituted the words "such further period as they may determine".

(2) In paragraph (7) of that regulation for the words "£600" there shall be substituted the words "£1,200".

(3) In paragraph (9)(*b*) of that regulation there shall be inserted after the word "fees" the words ", stamp duty" and after the word "mortgage" there shall be inserted the words "and any reference to expenses incurred in connection with the acquisition of any property shall be construed as also including expenses in connection with the contemplated acquisition of a property other than that acquired".

Allowance in respect of medical charges

6. There shall be substituted for regulation 54 of the principal regulations the following regulation—

"**54.**—(1) A member, other than one such as is mentioned in paragraph (2), shall be reimbursed the normal standard charges incurred in his case under Articles 5, 61, 62, 63 and 98 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**a**) (which Articles relate to charges for certain drugs, medicines and appliances and for dental treatment).

(a) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14) as modified by S.I. 1978/1907 (N.I. 26)

(2) A member who first became a member on or after 1st December 1992 shall be reimbursed any such charges if they are incurred by reason of an injury received without the default of the member concerned in the execution of his duty as a member, but not otherwise.

(3) For the purposes of the preceding paragraph, the terms ''injury'', ''injury received in the execution of duty'' and ''without the default of the member concerned'' have the same meanings as they have in the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions Regulations(**a**).''.

University scholars

7. Paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 4 to the principal regulations shall have effect as if for ''£1,269'' there were substituted ''£1,344''.

Pay

8. In Schedule 5 to the principal regulations for the Tables A, B and C there shall be substituted respectively the Tables set out in the Schedule.

Dog handler's allowance

9. In Schedule 11 to the principal regulations in sub-paragraph 1(1)(*a*) for ''£792'' there shall be substituted ''£858'' and in sub-paragraph 1(1)(*b*) for ''£1,083'' there shall be substituted ''£1,176''.

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One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
29th September 1992

Irvine Patnick
Nicholas Baker
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

We concur
15th October 1992

(a) S.R. 1988 No. 374 to which there are amendments not relevant to these regulations