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POLICE

Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1992

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To be laid before Parliament	

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**a**), and after consulting, in accordance with section 34(2) of the said Act, the Police Authority and the Police Association, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1992 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1992.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations any reference to the principal regulations is a reference to the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) Regulations 1981(**b**).

Definitions in principal regulations

3. Regulation 3(1) of the principal regulations shall be amended by deleting the definition of ''special course''.

Qualification for promotion

4. Regulation 4 of the principal regulations shall be amended by adding the following paragraph—

''(8) Previous service within regulation 4A(*a*) to (*c*) which constituted probationary service in the force or constabulary in question shall count for the purposes of paragraph (1)(*c*).''.

Accelerated promotion courses

5. The principal regulations shall be amended by substituting for regulations 8 to 10 the following regulation—

''*Accelerated promotion courses*

8.—(1) In this regulation ''APC(S)'' means a course for the time being recognised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this

(**a**) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163 and S.I. 1981/1670
(**b**) S.R. 1981 No. 19 as amended by S.R. 1983 No. 113, S.R. 1985 No. 42 and S.R. 1985 No. 337

regulation as the accelerated promotion course for sergeants and "APC(I)" means a course so recognised as the accelerated promotion course for inspectors; in this paragraph "course" means a course of training entailing periods of residence at the Police Staff College and beginning after 30th June 1992.

(2) A constable who—

(*a*) is qualified under regulation 4 for promotion to the rank of sergeant, and

(*b*) is selected to attend APC(S),

shall be promoted to the rank of sergeant on the first day of his attendance.

(3) A period spent attending APC(S)—

(*a*) counts as service in the rank of sergeant for the purposes of regulation 4(3)(*b*), but

(*b*) to the extent that it is spent in residence at the Police Staff College, does not count as probationary service in that rank for the purposes of regulation 6.

(4) A sergeant who—

(*a*) is qualified under regulation 4 for promotion to the rank of inspector, and

(*b*) is selected to attend APC(I),

shall be promoted to the rank of inspector on the first day of his attendance but shall be on probation in that rank until he has completed one year's service in it.

(5) Promotion under paragraph (2) or (4)—

(*a*) shall take place whether or not there is a vacancy in the authorised establishment for the rank in question, and

(*b*) does not affect any existing or subsequent vacancy unless the person promoted is designated to fill it.".

Transitional provisions

6. The Schedule shall have effect with respect to transitional matters in connection with the coming into operation of these regulations.

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One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State