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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 1347 (N.I. 3)**

**The Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000**

- - - - - 17th May 2000

**Title and commencement**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on such day or days as the Secretary of State may by order appoint<sup>F1</sup>.

**Annotations:**

**F1** fully exercised by SR 2000/334

**Interpretation**

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

**Flying of flags**

3.—(1) The Secretary of State may make regulations regulating the flying of flags at government buildings<sup>F2</sup> and court-houses].

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) “government building” means a building wholly or mainly occupied by members of the Northern Ireland Civil Service.

**Annotations:**

**F2** Words in [art. 3\(1\)](#) inserted (12.4.2010) by [Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2002 \(c. 26\)](#), ss. 67(1), 87(1); [S.R. 2010/113](#), [art. 2](#), Sch. para. 15

**Regulations under Article 3 – supplementary**

4.—(1) Where the Secretary of State proposes to make regulations under Article 3, he shall refer a draft of the proposed regulations to the Assembly.

(2) The Assembly shall, within such period as the Secretary of State may specify, report to the Secretary of State the views expressed in the Assembly on the proposed regulations.

(3) The Secretary of State shall consider any report which is made to him under paragraph (2) within the period specified under that paragraph.