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EDUCATION

Teachers' Compulsory Absence and Maternity Leave

REGULATIONS, DATED 11TH JULY 1972, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1947 TO 1971.

The Ministry of Education, on behalf of the Secretary of State and in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 84 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 1947(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Teachers' Compulsory Absence and Maternity Leave Amending Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972.

2. The existing Regulations hereby amended are the Teachers' Compulsory Absence and Maternity Leave Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965(**b**).

3. To Regulation 3 there shall be added the following paragraph:

"(3) For the purpose of this Regulation "teaching duties" shall be deemed to apply to any period of a school year whether the school is in operation or not."

4. For sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (1) of Regulation 6 of the existing Regulations there shall be substituted the following:

"(b)(i) immediately before the commencement of the period of maternity leave has been employed continuously as a full-time teacher in grant-aided schools or institutions in Northern Ireland or in schools or institutions in Great Britain approved for this purpose for a total period of at least one year;

(ii) of the period referred to in sub-paragraph (i) above at least three months shall be teaching service given immediately prior to the commencement of the period of maternity leave in grant-aided schools or institutions in Northern Ireland;"

Sealed with the official seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 11th day of July, 1972.

(L.S.)

E. J. Kirkpatrick,
Assistant Secretary

(a) 1947. c. 3.

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965, No. 279.