(iv) he has carried out original research of recognised value into social and economic problems ;

(*b*) he produces satisfactory evidence that his health and character are good ;

(*c*) he is a natural born British subject and the son of a father also a natural born British subject, and has during the whole of the period of five years ending on the date of appointment been resident in the United Kingdom : provided that any period during which he has served outside the United Kingdom in time of war emergency in the armed forces of the Crown or in the mercantile marine shall be treated as a period during which he has been resident in the United Kingdom ; and

(*d*) at the date of his appointment by the welfare authority he is not less than thirty years of age and not more than forty-five years of age : provided that the maximum age limit shall not apply in the case of a person holding an office under a local authority at the time of his appointment.

5. A welfare officer shall carry out such duties as may be imposed on him by or under the Act or assigned to him by the welfare authority.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this eighteenth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.) *Thos. Elwood,*
Assistant Secretary.

Health and Welfare Authorities

Prior Transfer of Officers

REGULATIONS, DATED 26TH DAY OF APRIL, 1947, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

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WHEREAS it appears to the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland to be necessary for giving full effect to the provisions of the Public Health and Local Government (Administrative Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, that regulations should be made enabling the employment of persons to make adequate and suitable preparation for the discharge of duties to be imposed by the transfer of functions to Health Authorities and Welfare Authorities