has, with the prior consent in writing of the Ministry, been provided, and that any conditions imposed by the Ministry in giving such consent have been complied with.

4.—The Interpretation Act, 1889, as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

5.—These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Defence (Air-Raid Shelter Standards of Expenditure) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1939.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 22nd day of September, Nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. A. McKeown*,
Assistant Secretary.

Approved by the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 29th day of September, Nineteen hundred and thirty-nine.

(L.S.) *H. Ashton*,
Assistant Secretary.

Fire Appliances.

REGULATIONS, DATED 26TH NOVEMBER, 1939, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION 10 OF THE AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1938.

1939. No. 179.

WHEREAS by Section 10 of the Air Raid Precautions Act (Northern Ireland), 1938, it is provided that the Ministry of Home Affairs (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") may, with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, make regulations for the purposes of that Act and such regulations shall provide for such matters as are therein set forth in the said Section:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry, in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Section 10 of the Air Raid Precautions Act (Northern Ireland), 1938, hereby makes the following regulations with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, that is to say:—

1.—(1) The purpose for which fire appliances are lent by the Ministry to a local authority is to enable the local authority to afford

protection to persons and property from injury or damage from fire in the event of hostile attack from the air, and the appliances may be used for the purposes of—

(*a*) maintaining them in good running order;

(*b*) training persons recruited for air raid fire precautions services, either at fires in peace time or in such other manner as the local authority thinks fit; and

(*c*) extinguishing fires in peace time (otherwise than in the course of training persons as aforesaid) in exceptional circumstances on occasions when their use is necessary to save life or property and the fire appliances provided by the local authority are insufficient or not readily available.

(2) The fire appliances shall remain the property of the Minstry and every local authority to which such appliances are lent shall—

(*a*) store the appliances in suitable conditions and maintain them in good running order;

(*b*) take all proper steps to prevent damage to, or loss of, the appliances;

(*c*) exercise reasonable care in the use of the appliances;

(*d*) keep, in such form as the Ministry may direct, a log of the running and use of each pumping appliance and of the use of each length of hose; and

(*e*) permit at all times any person authorised by the Ministry in that behalf to inspect and test the appliances or inspect the log to be kept under sub-paragraph (*d*) of this paragraph.

2. The fire appliances are lent on condition that the local authority—

(*a*) duly carries out its functions under any air raid precautions scheme in force under the Act in so far as it relates to the emergency fire brigade services organised in accordance with the provisions of the Air Raid Precautions (Scheme) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1938;

(*b*) maintains, or procures to be maintained by some other local authority or person, fire services and appliances upon an adequate and efficient basis to meet the normal requirements of its area; and

(*c*) does not without the consent of the Ministry make any alteration in, or addition to, any appliance so lent save for the purpose of any necessary adjustment or repair.