

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 5

THE NATIONAL DISABILITY COUNCIL

Membership

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- (1) The Council shall consist of at least 10, but not more than 20, members.
 - (2) In this Schedule “member”, except in sub-paragraph (5)(b), means a member of the Council.
 - (3) Each member shall be appointed by the Secretary of State.
 - (4) The Secretary of State shall appoint one member to be chairman of the Council and another member to be its deputy chairman.
 - (5) The members shall be appointed from among persons who, in the opinion of the Secretary of State—
 - (a) have knowledge or experience of the needs of disabled persons or the needs of a particular group, or particular groups, of disabled persons;
 - (b) have knowledge or experience of the needs of persons who have had a disability or the needs of a particular group, or particular groups, of such persons; or
 - (c) are members of, or otherwise represent, professional bodies or bodies which represent industry or other business interests.
 - (6) Before appointing any member, the Secretary of State shall consult such persons as he considers appropriate.
 - (7) In exercising his powers of appointment, the Secretary of State shall try to secure that at all times at least half the membership of the Council consists of disabled persons, persons who have had a disability or the parents or guardians of disabled persons.