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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland  
(Constitution) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001

**Casual vacancies**

9.—(1) Where a vacancy occurs among members otherwise than by the expiry of a member's term of office—

- (a) if the vacancy is among the elected members, the vacancy shall be filled by the person receiving the next highest number of votes in the election of the member who has vacated office, and if no such person is available the Council shall fill the vacancy by co-opting a person of like electoral qualifications as the member who has vacated office; and
- (b) if the vacancy is among the appointed members, the body or person who appointed the member who has vacated office shall appoint another person to fill it.

(2) A person appointed under paragraph (1)(a) or (b) to fill a vacancy holds office until the date on which the term of office of the member whose vacancy he fills would have expired.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) a person appointed as a replacement for an elected member shall be treated as an elected member.