

2013 CHAPTER 2

General

Rules

- **21.**—(1) OFMDFM may make rules dealing with—
 - (a) matters of evidence and procedure in relation to the inquiry;
 - (b) the return or keeping, after the end of the inquiry, of documents given to or created by the inquiry;
 - (c) awards under section 14.
- (2) Rules under subsection (1)(a) may in particular—
 - (a) provide that evidence given for the purposes of any particular part of the inquiry must not be disclosed—
 - (i) in the proceedings of any other part of the inquiry unless the chairperson so orders; or
 - (ii) in any criminal or civil proceedings in Northern Ireland unless it is necessary to avoid a breach of Convention rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998);
 - (b) make provision for orders similar to witness anonymity orders within the meaning of section 86 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009.
- (3) Rules under subsection (1)(c) may in particular—
 - (a) make provision as to how and by whom the amount of awards is to be assessed, including provision allowing the assessment to be undertaken by the chairperson or by such other person as the chairperson may nominate;
 - (b) make provision for review of an assessment at the instance of a person dissatisfied with it.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse Act (Northern Ireland) 2013, Section 21. (See end of Document for details)

(4) Rules under this section are subject to negative resolution.

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