
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 1573

Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979

Duties of rule-making authorities and their officers **N.I.**

5.—(1) Without prejudice to any other statutory provision which designates a person as the responsible officer in relation to statutory rules of any class, for the purposes of this Article and of Article 7 references to the responsible officer of a rule-making authority are—

- [^{F1}(a) in the case of an order made by the Secretary of State with respect to any transferred matter (within the meaning of the Northern Ireland Act 1998), to such officer of the department which is responsible for the submission of the draft order to the Secretary of State as the Minister of that department directs;]
- (b) in the case of statutory rules made by a joint authority of which one of the constituent members is a Northern Ireland department or the Head of such a department, to such officer or other person acting under the control or direction of that constituent member as that constituent member directs; and
- (c) in any other case, to such officer or other person acting under the control or direction of the rule-making authority as that authority directs.

(2) It shall be the duty of the responsible officer of each rule-making authority making any statutory rules—

- (a) forthwith to send to the Department for registration under this Order two copies of those rules certified by him together with a written declaration by him that the authority considers the rules to be general or local, as the case may be;
- (b) as soon as may be after the making of those rules to arrange for the publication of those rules or of notice of the making of those rules in the Belfast Gazette; and
- (c) to make due arrangements with Her Majesty's Stationery Office for the printing and sale on behalf of the Department of all such rules other than the rules mentioned in Schedule 3 or rules which by virtue of regulations are also exempted from the requirements of this sub-paragraph.

(3) Publication of a notice under paragraph (2)(b) shall be sufficient compliance with any statutory requirement as to publication or notification in the Belfast Gazette.

Changes to legislation:

Statutory Rules (Northern Ireland) Order 1979, Section 5 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 12 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [Sch.1. Pt.II am. \(prosp.\) by 1998 c. 47 s.99Sch.13 para.4](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act amended by [1996 c. 25 s.79Sch.4 para.26](#)
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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- [Sch.4 para.14 rev. \(prosp.\) by 1998 c. 47 s.100\(2\)Sch.15](#)
- [art.11\(4\) rev. \(prosp.\) by 1998 c. 47 s.100\(2\)Sch.15](#)