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The Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

PART II

OCCUPATIONAL PENSIONS

Functions of trustees or managers

Provision of documents for members

- 41.—(1) Regulations may require the trustees or managers of an occupational pension scheme—
 - (a) to obtain at prescribed times the documents mentioned in paragraph (2), and
 - (b) to make copies of them, and of the documents mentioned in paragraph (3), available to the persons mentioned in paragraph (4).
- (2) The documents referred to in paragraph (1)(a) are—
 - (a) the accounts audited by the auditor of the scheme,
 - (b) the auditor's statement about contributions under the scheme,
 - (c) a valuation by the actuary of the assets and liabilities of the scheme, and a statement by the actuary concerning such aspects of the valuation as may be prescribed.
- (3) The documents referred to in paragraph (1)(b) are—
 - (a) any valuation, or certificate, prepared under Article 57 or 58 by the actuary of the scheme,
 - (b) any report prepared by the trustees or managers under Article 59(3).
- (4) The persons referred to in paragraph (1)(b) are—
 - (a) members and prospective members of the scheme,
 - (b) spouses of members and of prospective members,
 - (c) persons within the application of the scheme and qualifying or prospectively qualifying for its benefits,
 - (d) independent trade unions recognised to any extent for the purposes of collective bargaining in relation to members and prospective members of the scheme.

(5) Regulations may in the case of occupational pension schemes to which Article 47 does not apply—

- (a) prescribe the persons who may act as auditors or actuaries for the purposes of paragraph (2), or
- (b) provide that the persons who may so act shall be—
 - (i) persons with prescribed professional qualifications or experience, or
 - (ii) persons approved by the Department.

(6) Regulations shall make provision for referring to an industrial tribunal any question whether an organisation is such a trade union as is mentioned in paragraph (4)(d) and may make provision as to the form and content of any such document as is referred to in paragraph (2).