

1976 No. 31

POLICE**Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1976***Made* 29th January 1976*Coming into operation* 8th March 1976*To be laid before Parliament*

The Secretary of State(a), in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(b) read with Articles 14 and 15 of the Superannuation (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(c) and after consulting, in accordance with section 34(2) of the said Act, the Police Authority for Northern Ireland and the Police Association for Northern Ireland and, in accordance with section 4(5) of the Police Act 1969(d), the Police Council for the United Kingdom, hereby with the concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service(e) makes the following regulations:

PART I**CITATION, COMMENCEMENT AND INTERPRETATION***Citation*

1. These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1976.

Commencement and operation

2. These regulations shall come into operation on 8th March 1976 and shall have effect as from 1st December 1975.

Interpretation

3. In these regulations—

“the Order of 1949” means the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions Order 1949(f);

“the principal regulations” means the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions Regulations 1973(g).

(a) Formerly the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland: *see* S.I. 1973/2163

(b) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.)

(c) S.I. 1972/1073 (N.I. 10)

(d) 1969 c. 63

(e) Formerly the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland: *see* S.I. 1973/2163

(f) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1949 No. 211 (p. 379) as amended by S.R. 1975 No. 64

(g) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 317 (II, p. 1722) as amended by S.R. 1975 No. 64

PART II

AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDER OF 1949

Widow's ordinary pension

4. Appendix II to the Schedule to the Order of 1949 shall be amended as follows:

- (a) In both Part I (widow's flat-rate ordinary pension) and paragraph 3 of Part VIII (widow's ordinary pension—alternative rate)—
 - (i) for “£6.27” there shall be substituted “£7.91”;
 - (ii) for “£5.44” there shall be substituted “£6.86”;
 - (iii) for “£4.64” there shall be substituted “£5.86”;
- (b) in paragraph 4 of the said Part VIII (increase in alternative rate) for “30p” there shall be substituted “38p”.

Child's ordinary allowance

5. Part I of Appendix III to the Schedule to the Order of 1949 shall be amended as follows:

- (a) In paragraph 1 (child's ordinary allowance—one parent living)—
 - (i) for “£1.91” there shall be substituted “£2.41”;
 - (ii) for “£1.66” there shall be substituted “£2.10”;
 - (iii) for “£1.52” there shall be substituted “£1.92”;
- (b) in paragraph 2 (child's ordinary allowance—both parents dead)—
 - (i) for “£3.15” there shall be substituted “£3.98”;
 - (ii) for “£2.70” there shall be substituted “£3.41”;
 - (iii) for “£2.33” there shall be substituted “£2.94”.

PART III

AMENDMENTS TO THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

Payment without probate of sum due on account of award

6. In regulation 73(4) of the principal regulations, for “£500” there shall be substituted “£1,500”.

Discretionary pension for widow of serviceman

7. In regulation 82(5) of the principal regulations for “£4.64” there shall be substituted “£5.86”.

Widow's pension

8. Schedule 3 to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

- (a) In Part I, paragraph 3 (widow's alternative flat-rate ordinary pension)—
 - (i) for “£6.27” there shall be substituted “£7.91”;
 - (ii) for “£5.44” there shall be substituted “£6.86”;
 - (iii) for “£4.64” there shall be substituted “£5.86”;
 - (iv) for “30p” there shall be substituted “38p”;

- (b) in Part IV, paragraph 4 (widow's alternative flat-rate accrued pension)—
- (i) for "£6.27" there shall be substituted "£7.91";
 - (ii) for "£5.44" there shall be substituted "£6.86";
 - (iii) for "£4.64" there shall be substituted "£5.86".

Child's ordinary allowance

9. Schedule 4 to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:
- (a) In Part I, paragraph 1(4) (child's alternative flat-rate ordinary allowance—one parent living)—
 - (i) for "£1.91" there shall be substituted "£2.41";
 - (ii) for "£1.66" there shall be substituted "£2.10";
 - (iii) for "£1.52" there shall be substituted "£1.92";
 - (b) in Part I, paragraph 2(4) (child's alternative flat-rate ordinary allowance—both parents dead)—
 - (i) for "£2.86" there shall be substituted "£3.61";
 - (ii) for "£2.49" there shall be substituted "£3.14";
 - (iii) for "£2.28" there shall be substituted "£2.88".

Northern Ireland Office
28th January 1976

Merlyn Rees
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

The concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service given under his
Official Seal on 29th January 1976.

(L.S.)

K. H. McNeill
Authorised by the Minister for
the Civil Service

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations amend the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions Order 1949 and the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions Regulations 1973.

The amendments increase certain widow's pensions and children's allowances payable under those instruments.

They also increase from £500 to £1,500 the maximum sum which, if due to a person on account of an award under the Regulations of 1973 may, on his death, be paid by the Police Authority without probate to the persons appearing to it to be entitled to his personal estate.

The regulations take effect from 1st December 1975 (the date from which increases authorised by the Pensions Increase (Annual Review) Order 1975 are payable). Retrospective effect is authorised by Articles 14 and 15 of the Superannuation Order (Northern Ireland) 1972.