

1980 No. 99

POLICE

Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1980

Made 13th March 1980

Coming into operation 1st April 1980

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) read with Articles 14 and 15 of the Superannuation (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(b) 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(c), the Police Council for the United Kingdom, hereby with the concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service makes the following regulations:—

PART I

CITATION, COMMENCEMENT AND EFFECT

Citation, commencement and effect

1. These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1980 and shall have effect as from 12th November 1979.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

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

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

PART II

AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDER OF 1949

Widow's ordinary pension

3. 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 “£11.39” there shall be substituted “£13.21”;

(ii) for “£9.87” there shall be substituted “£11.45”;

(iii) for “£8.43” there shall be substituted “£9.78”.

(b) In paragraph 4 of the said Part VIII (increase in alternative rate) for “56p” there shall be substituted “65p”.

(a) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III, p. 7541)

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

(c) 1969 c. 63

(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1949 No. 211 (p. 379) as amended by S.R. 1978 No. 346 (II, p. 1263)

(e) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 317 (II, p. 1722) as amended by S.R. 1978 No. 332 (II, p. 1167) and 1978 No. 346 (II, p. 1263)

Child's ordinary allowance

4. 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 “£3.48” there shall be substituted “£4.03”;
 - (ii) for “£3.02” there shall be substituted “£3.50”;
 - (iii) for “£2.77” there shall be substituted “£3.21”.
- (b) In paragraph 2 (child's ordinary allowance—both parents dead)—
 - (i) for “£5.73” there shall be substituted “£6.64”;
 - (ii) for “£4.92” there shall be substituted “£5.70”;
 - (iii) for “£4.24” there shall be substituted “£4.91”.

PART III

AMENDMENTS TO THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

Discretionary pension for widow of serviceman

5. In regulation 82(5) of the principal regulations for “£8.43” there shall be substituted “£9.78”.

Increase in pensions

6. In regulation 99 of the principal regulations, after the words “section 2 of that Act” there shall be inserted the words “or section 59 of the Social Security Pensions Act 1975(f)”.

7. In regulation 101 of the principal regulations, after paragraph (7), there shall be inserted the following provisions:

“(7A) In the case of a widow who is entitled to a minimum pension under paragraph (4)(b) the amount of a widow's pension for any week calculated in accordance with the following provisions of these regulations namely—

regulation 82(5);

paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 3;

paragraph 4 of Part IV of Schedule 3;

shall, unless the Police Authority otherwise direct, be reduced by an amount equal to 16% of the said minimum pension.”.

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 “£11.39” there shall be substituted “£13.21”;
 - (ii) for “£9.87” there shall be substituted “£11.45”;
 - (iii) for “£8.43” there shall be substituted “£9.78”;
 - (iv) for “56p” there shall be substituted “65p”.
- (b) In Part IV, paragraph 4 (widow's alternative flat rate accrued pension)—
 - (i) for “£11.39” there shall be substituted “£13.21”;
 - (ii) for “£9.87” there shall be substituted “£11.45”;
 - (iii) for “£8.43” there shall be substituted “£9.78”.

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 “£3.48” there shall be substituted “£4.03”;
 - (ii) for “£3.02” there shall be substituted “£3.50”;
 - (iii) for “£2.77” there shall be substituted “£3.21”.
- (b) In Part I, paragraph 2(4) (child's alternative flat rate ordinary allowance—both parents dead)—
- (i) for “£5.20” there shall be substituted “£6.03”;
 - (ii) for “£4.53” there shall be substituted “£5.25”;
 - (iii) for “£4.15” there shall be substituted “£4.81”.

Northern Ireland Office
13th March 1980

Humphrey Atkins
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

The concurrence of the Minister for the Civil Service given under her
Official seal on 13th March 1980.

(L.S.)

T. A. A. Hart

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 widows' pensions and children's allowances payable under those instruments.

The regulations take effect as from 12th November 1979 (the date from which increases authorised by the Pensions Increase (Review) Order 1979 are payable).

Retrospective effect is authorised by Articles 14 and 15 of the Superannuation (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 (this includes regulation 7 since, read with the other provisions, it does not effect any reduction in the current rates of benefit).