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POLICE

**Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment)
Regulations 1983**

Made 6th May 1983

Coming into operation 1st June 1983

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a), 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, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1983 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1983.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations any reference to the principal regulations is a reference to the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) Regulations 1981(b).

Qualification for promotion

3. For regulation 4(7) there shall be substituted the following provision:—

“(7) Previous service within regulation 4A(a), (b) or (c) shall count for the purposes of paragraph (1)(b) and such service in the rank of sergeant shall count for the purposes of paragraph (3)(b) and any previous service in the fingerprint branch of a police force or constabulary specified in regulation 4A shall be treated as service in the fingerprint branch of the force for the purposes of paragraph (2) or where that previous service is in the rank of sergeant as service in that rank in that branch for the purposes of paragraph (4).”

Recognition of qualifying examinations in other police forces

4. After regulation 4 of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation:—

“Recognition of qualifying examinations in other police forces

4A. A member with:—

- (a) previous service in a police force within the meaning of section 62 of the Police Act 1964(c);
- (b) previous service in a police force within the meaning of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967(d); or
- (c) previous service in the Isle of Man Constabulary,

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

(b) S.R. 1981 No. 19

(c) 1964 c. 48

(d) 1967 c. 77

who has taken the qualifying examination for promotion in that force or constabulary from constable to sergeant or from sergeant to inspector and has obtained a pass therein shall be deemed for the purposes of these regulations to have satisfied the requirement in regulation 4(1)(a) or, as the case may be, 4(3)(a).

Provided that no account shall be taken for the purposes of this regulation of a pass in a qualifying examination for promotion in the Isle of Man Constabulary where the examination was taken before 1st January 1983."

Period of probation for constable promoted sergeant

5. In regulation 6 of the principal regulations for "regulation 8(1)" there shall be substituted "regulation 7(1)".

Qualifying examinations

6.—(1) In paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the principal regulations there shall be inserted at the end of sub-paragraph (1) the following words:—

"Provided that a constable who has completed the required period of probation following a previous appointment to the force or to any force or constabulary specified in regulation 4A(a), (b) or (c) shall be deemed for the purposes of this sub-paragraph to have completed his probationary service notwithstanding that he has not completed his current probationary service."

(2) At the end of the said paragraph 5 there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(3) Previous service, including probationary service, within regulation 4A(a), (b) or (c) shall count for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(a) and such service in the rank of sergeant (or in a rank higher than that of sergeant) shall count for the purposes of sub-paragraph (2)."

(3) At the end of paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(3) Previous service in the fingerprint branch of a police force or constabulary specified in regulation 4A(a), (b) or (c) shall count for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) and such service in the rank of sergeant (or in a rank higher than that of sergeant) shall count for the purposes of sub-paragraph (2)."

(4) In paragraph 5(1) of Schedule 2 to the principal regulations for the words "constables qualifying technical examination" there shall be substituted the words "qualifying technical examination for promotion to the rank of sergeant" and in paragraph 5(2) of that Schedule for the words "sergeants qualifying technical examination" there shall be substituted the words "qualifying technical examination for promotion to the rank of inspector".

Northern Ireland Office
6th May 1983

James Prior
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) Regulations 1981 which govern promotion in the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

These regulations extend the provisions for recognition, for the purpose of promotion in the Royal Ulster Constabulary, of qualifications for promotion in police forces in Great Britain; they also make provision, for that purpose, for recognition of qualifications for promotion in the Isle of Man Constabulary. They also make minor drafting improvements.