#### 1983 No. 249

### YOUNG OFFENDERS CENTRES

# The Young Offenders Centre Rules (Northern Ireland) 1983

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 13 of the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953(a), as extended by section 2 of the Treatment of Offenders Act (Northern Ireland) 1968(b) hereby makes the following rules:

#### Citation and commencement

1. These rules may be cited as the Young Offenders Centre Rules (Northern Ireland) 1983 and shall come into operation on 29th August 1983.

# Interpretation .

2. In these rules the "principal rules" means the Young Offenders Centre Rules (Northern Ireland) 1982(c) and "officer" means an officer within the meaning of those rules.

# ·Modification of principal rules

- 3.—(1) Where any constable or other person, not being an officer, is employed by reason of any emergency to assist the governor of a centre by performing duties ordinarily performed by an officer, any reference in the relevant rules to an officer shall be treated as including a reference to a constable or other person so employed.
- (2) In this rule, the "relevant rules" means the principal rules other than rule 30(3) of those rules (hearing of disciplinary charges) and Parts XI and XII of those rules (which contain rules relating to young offenders centre staff).

# Application of principal rules

4. Where, by reason of any emergency, it is impracticable or inexpedient to comply with any requirement of the principal rules (not being a requirement required to be imposed by any enactment), the relevant provision shall have effect so as to require only such compliance (if any) as is practicable and expedient in all the circumstances.

Northern Ireland Office 24th August 1983 James Prior
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State

<sup>(</sup>a) 1953 c. 18 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163

<sup>(</sup>b) 1968 c. 29 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163

<sup>(</sup>c) S.R. 1982 No. 169

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Rules.)

These rules extend certain provisions of the Young Offenders Centre Rules referring to officers to any persons employed in an emergency in aid of the governor of a centre (Rule 3). They also provide for any provision of the Young Offenders Centre Rules which in an emergency cannot be complied with to have effect so as to require only such compliance as is practicable and expedient in all the circumstances (Rule 4).