

1987 No. 427

HEALTH AND SAFETY

**Health and Safety (Medical Fees) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1987**

Made 24th November 1987

Coming into operation 31st December 1987

The Department of Economic Development(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 49 of the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(b) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Health and Safety (Medical Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987 and shall come into operation on 31st December 1987.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations “employment medical adviser” means an employment medical adviser appointed under Article 48(3) of the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978.

Fees payable for medical examination by an employment medical adviser

3.—(1) A fee shall be payable to the Department by an employer in respect of a medical examination of each of his employees by an employment medical adviser for the purposes of any provision specified in column 1 of Schedule 1.

(2) The fee payable under paragraph (1) shall be a basic fee for each examination together with additional fees for X-rays and laboratory tests where these are taken or carried out in connection with the examination; and for each provision specified in column 1 of Schedule 1—

- (a) the basic fee shall be the amount specified in column 3 of that Schedule for that provision;
- (b) the additional fee for X-rays shall be the amount specified in column 4 of that Schedule for that provision and shall cover all X-rays taken in connection with any examination;
- (c) the additional fee for laboratory tests shall be the amount specified in column 5 of that Schedule for that provision and shall cover all such tests carried out in connection with any one examination.

(a) Formerly the Department of Manpower Services. See S.I. 1982/846 (N.I. 11) Article 3

(b) S.I. 1978/1039 (N.I. 9)

(3) Where an employment medical adviser carries out a medical examination of a self-employed person for the purposes of the Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984(a), that self-employed person shall pay to the Department fees ascertained in accordance with paragraph (4).

(4) The fees payable under paragraph (3) shall be a basic fee of £34·50 for each examination together with an additional fee of £27 in respect of all X-rays taken and £15·50 in respect of all laboratory tests carried out in connection with any one examination.

Fees for medical surveillance by an employment medical adviser under the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985

4.—(1) Fees shall be payable in accordance with paragraph (2) by an employer to the Department in respect of medical surveillance of any of his employees by an employment medical adviser for the purposes of the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985(b).

(2) Where the medical surveillance includes an examination of, or interview with, the employee, the fees shall be a basic fee for each examination or interview or combination thereof of £37 together with an additional fee of £27 in respect of X-rays taken and £15·50 in respect of all laboratory tests carried out in connection with any one such examination or interview or combination thereof, but where the surveillance is confined to an examination of, and making of entries in, records, the fee shall be £11·50.

Fees for medical surveillance by an employment medical adviser under the Control of Lead at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986

5.—(1) Fees shall be payable in accordance with paragraph (2) by an employer to the Department in respect of medical surveillance of any of his employees by an employment medical adviser for the purposes of the Control of Lead at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986(c).

(2) The fee payable for each item described in column 1 of Schedule 2 shall be that specified in the corresponding entry in column 2 of that Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on 24th November 1987.

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Assistant Secretary

(a) S.R. 1984 No. 205
(b) S.R. 1985 No. 273
(c) S.R. 1986 No. 36

Fees payable for medical examination by an employment medical adviser

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Basic Fee</i>	<i>Additional Fees where appropriate</i>	
			<i>Fee for X-rays</i>	<i>Fee for laboratory tests</i>
1	2	3	4	5
(a) Regulation 30 of the Chemical Works Regulations 1922.	S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1922 No. 66 (p. 41) (relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1979 No. 187).	£27.50	£27.00	£15.50
(b) Regulation 14 of the Work in Compressed Air Special Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963.	S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1963 No. 85 (relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1979 No. 187).	£26.00	£27.00	£15.50
(c) Regulation 8 of the Carcinogenic Substances Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967.	S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1967 No. 266 (relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1979 No. 187).	£29.00	£27.00	£15.50
(d) Regulation 6 of the Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984.	S.R. 1984 No. 205	£34.50	£27.00	£15.50

Fees payable for medical surveillance by an employment medical adviser under the Control of Lead at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee</i>
1	2
On the first assessment of an employee (including any clinical medical examination and laboratory tests in connection with the assessment).	£36·50
On each subsequent assessment of an employee—	
(i) for laboratory tests where these are carried out	£27·00
(ii) for a clinical medical examination where this is carried out.	£12·00

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations fix fees to be paid for work done by employment medical advisers in conducting medical examinations and surveillances under—

- (a) the Chemical Works Regulations 1922 (regulation 3 and Schedule 1);
- (b) the Work in Compressed Air Special Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1963 (regulation 3 and Schedule 1);
- (c) the Carcinogenic Substances Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1967 (regulation 3 and Schedule 1);
- (d) the Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 (regulation 3 and Schedule 1);
- (e) the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985 (regulation 4);
- (f) the Control of Lead at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 (regulation 5 and Schedule 2).

The effect of these Regulations is either to impose fees for the first time, or increase fees previously charged under the Medical Examinations (Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 (S.R. 1979 No. 171) or under the regulations listed at (d) and (e) above.

In the case of examinations for the purposes of the regulations listed at (a) to (c) above, flat-rate examination fees ranging from 35p to £2.55 are replaced by basic examination fees ranging from £26.00 to £29.00 together with a new fee of £27.00 for X-rays and £15.50 for laboratory tests. In the case of examinations for the purposes of the regulations listed at (d) and (e) above, existing basic examination fees are increased by 15% and 12% respectively. X-ray fees are fixed at £27.00 and laboratory test fees at £15.50 (compared to £19.50 and £11.50 previously charged under the Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984 and £22.50 and £15.00 previously charged under the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985). The fee where the medical surveillance of an employee under the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985 is confined to an examination of, and making entries in, records is increased from £10.00 to £11.50.

Fees are imposed for the first time for medical surveillance for the purpose of the regulations listed at (f) above. These are £36.50 for a first assessment, and for subsequent assessments £27.00 for laboratory tests and £12.00 for a clinical medical examination.