

## 1994 No. 228

## FIRE SERVICES

**Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion)  
(Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994**

*Made* . . . . . 16th June 1994

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 1st August 1994

The Department of the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 9(5) of the Fire Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1984(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, makes the following Regulations:

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1994.

(2) In these Regulations, “the principal Regulations” means the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(b).

*Amendment of the principal Regulations*

2. The principal Regulations shall be amended as follows—

(1) For the provisions contained in Part II of Schedule 1 (practical examination for promotion to the rank of leading firefighter) there shall be substituted the provisions set out in Part I of the Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) For the provisions contained in Part II of Schedule 2 (practical examination for promotion to the rank of sub-officer) there shall be substituted the provisions set out in Part II of the Schedule to these Regulations.

3. For the purposes of regulation 7(6)(a) of the principal Regulations (ineligibility to enter examination on account of entry for, but non-attendance at, that examination in the immediately preceding year), as regards eligibility to enter for a practical examination before 1st January 1995, the reference to the examination in question shall be taken to include a reference to the corresponding practical examination under Schedule 1 or 2, as the case may be, for which the member entered before 1st August 1994.

(a) S.I. 1984/1821 (N.I. 11); see Art. 2(2) for definition of “the Department”

(b) S.R. 1979 No. 167; relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 1985 No. 323, S.R. 1991 No. 219, S.R. 1992 No. 237 and S.R. 1993 No. 360

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## SCHEDULE

## PART I

**Practical examination for Promotion to the Rank of Leading Firefighter****“Practical examination**

- (a) A practical test of ability to conduct a standard drill from the Fire Service Drill Book, including the ability to give detailed instructions to, and monitor the performance of, a crew undertaking such a drill;
- (b) An exercise in fireground procedure and control; and
- (c) A practical test of knowledge of an item of fire service equipment, including its design, use, disadvantages and limitations, and of the candidate’s ability to instruct others on such matters.”

## PART II

**Practical examination for Promotion to the Rank of Sub-Officer****“Practical examination**

- (a) A practical test of ability to organise and conduct a composite drill, that is to say a drill which achieves the objectives of two or more standard drills from the Fire Service Drill Book, including the ability to give detailed instructions to, and monitor the performance of, two crews undertaking such a drill;
- (b) An exercise in fireground procedure and control; and
- (c) A practical test of ability to assess the operational difficulties associated with a specific risk in the area of the candidate’s brigade, produce a plan to deal effectively with that risk, and communicate such assessment and plan in an instructional talk to others.”

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations further amend the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 by introducing revised practical examinations for promotion to the ranks of leading firefighter and sub-officer.

The Regulations also make a transitional provision with regard to the provisions governing eligibility to enter a practical examination, which operate by reference to non-attendance at the examination in question in the immediately preceding year.