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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2014 No. 188**

**The Local Government Pension Scheme  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014**

**PART 1**

**MEMBERSHIP, CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS**

**CONTRIBUTIONS**

**Temporary reduction in contributions**

**12.**—(1) An active member may elect to pay reduced contributions in an employment for a period by giving written notice to that active member's employing authority that the active member wishes to do so.

(2) Where a notice is given under paragraph (1), from the next available payment period following the giving of the notice, the contribution rate payable by the active member on that active member's pensionable pay in relation to that employment is 50% of that which would otherwise be payable under regulation 11 (contributions).

(3) An active member may cancel the election under paragraph (1) at any time by giving written notice to that active member's employing authority to this effect.

(4) Where a notice is given under paragraph (3), the contribution rate payable on the active member's pensionable pay in relation to that employment is as provided by regulation 11 (contributions) from the next available payment period following the giving of the notice.

(5) An active member's election under paragraph (1) is cancelled from the first available pay period after—

- (a) the automatic re-enrolment date [<sup>F1</sup>; or]
- (b) going on to no pay as a result of [<sup>F2</sup>illness, injury, ordinary maternity, paternity or ordinary adoption leave] provided that the active member is still on no pay at the beginning of that pay period,

and the contribution rate payable on the active member's pensionable pay in relation to that employment is as provided by regulation 11 (contributions) from that date.

(6) An active member may make a further election under paragraph (1) at any time when that active member is liable to make contributions as is provided by regulation 11 (contributions).

(7) The employing authority of any active member who elects to pay reduced contributions under paragraph (1) shall give that active member information about the effect on that active member's likely benefits consequent to that election.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Word in reg. 12(5)(a) substituted (1.4.2015) by [The Local Government Pension Scheme \(Amendment No. 2\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/162\)](#), regs. 1(2), **5(a)**
- F2** Words in reg. 12(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2015) by [The Local Government Pension Scheme \(Amendment No. 2\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/162\)](#), regs. 1(2), **5(b)**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Rule (including any effects on those provisions):

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- Sch. 1(f) word inserted by [S.R. 2023/157 reg. 19\(4\)\(b\)](#)
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