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CRIMINAL LAW

**The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020**

Made - - - - *1st June 2020*

Coming into operation - *30th June 2020*

The Department of Justice makes the following Regulations, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 87(1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003(a) and now vested in it (b).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2020 and shall come into operation on 30th June 2020.

Prescribed police stations

2. The police stations listed in the Schedule to these Regulations are prescribed for the purposes of section 87(1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003.

Revocation

3. The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016(c) are revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Justice on 1st June 2020



Naomi Long
Minister of Justice

(a) 2003 c. 42.
(b) Article 12 of, and paragraph 77(1) and (2) of Schedule 14 to, the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 (S.I.2010/976) transferred to function of the Secretary of State under section 87(1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (the 2003 Act) (in its application to Northern Ireland) to the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland; section 138(5) and (8) of the 2003 Act which makes relevant provision relating to the exercise of the section 87(1)(a) power of the Department of Justice was inserted by Article 12 of, and paragraph 77(1) and (3) of Schedule 14 to, S.I.2010/976.
(c) S.R. 2016 No.373.

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Prescribed Police Stations in Northern Ireland

Antrim Police Station 24 Castle Street Antrim BT41 4AU	Armagh Police Station 1-2 City View Newry Road, Armagh BT60 1EP
Ardmore Police Station 3 Belfast Road Newry BT34 1EF	Ballymena Police Station 26 Galgorm Road Ballymena BT43 5EX
Bangor Police Station 1-3 Castle Park Avenue Bangor BT20 4BS	Banbridge Police Station 14 Castlewellan Road Banbridge BT32 4AZ
Downpatrick Police Station 3 Ballyhornan Road Downpatrick BT30 6RB	Coleraine Police Station 17 Lodge Road Coleraine BT52 1LU
Enniskillen Police Station 48 Queen Street Enniskillen BT74 7JR	Dungannon Police Station 1 Quarry Lane Dungannon BT70 1HX
Larne Police Station 2 Hope Street Larne BT40 1UR	Limavady Police Station 11 Connell Street Limavady BT49 0EA
Lisburn Police Station 15 Barrack Street Lisburn BT28 1TJ	Lurgan Police Station 62 Church Place Lurgan BT66 6HD
Magherafelt Police Station 45-49 Meeting Street Magherafelt BT45 6BW	Musgrave Police Station 60 Victoria Street Belfast BT1 3GL
Newtownabbey Police Station 416-426 Shore Road Newtownabbey BT37 9RT	Newtownards Police Station 36-40 John Street Newtownards BT23 4LX
Omagh Police Station 1 Derry Road Omagh BT78 5DR	Strabane Police Station 23 Bowling Green Strabane BT82 8BW
Strand Road Police Station 81A Strand Road Londonderry BT48 7AA	

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No.373).

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (“the 2003 Act”) imposes notification requirements on offenders convicted of certain sexual offences. These offenders are called “relevant offenders”. The 2003 Act requires relevant offenders to notify certain personal information to the police, both at the outset and periodically thereafter. Persons subject to a Violent Offences Prevention Order (VOPO) provided for in the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 or a Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Order (STPO), provided for in the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Criminal Justice and Support for Victims) Act (Northern Ireland) 2015, are also required to notify in the same way as a relevant offender of the 2003 Act.

Section 87(1) of the 2003 Act provides that relevant offenders of the 2003 Act and those subject to a VOPO or STPO give such notification by attending at any police station in the relevant offender’s local police area which is prescribed in regulations. These Regulations prescribe those police stations in Northern Ireland.

For the purposes of section 87 of the 2003 Act, “local police area” is defined in section 88 (3) of the 2003 Act. Under section 87(5), Northern Ireland is a police area.

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