

District Trade Committees.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE
TRADE BOARDS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 (13 & 14
GEO. 5, c. 32).

1925. No. 11.

The Ministry of Labour (in these Regulations referred to as "the Ministry"), in pursuance of powers conferred by Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and of every other power the Ministry hereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. Any District Trade Committee established by the Ministry under the Trade Boards Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, shall consist of persons appointed by the Ministry as follows :—

- (a) A Chairman, who shall be the appointed member for the time being of the Trade Board.
- (b) Members of the Trade Board representing employers and workers in equal numbers, who may be nominated by the representatives of employers and workers, respectively, on the Board. The number of such members to be nominated shall be determined by the Ministry after an opportunity to be heard has been given to the Trade Board.
- (c) Representatives of local employers and workers in equal numbers, as may be determined by the Ministry, due regard being paid to the proper representation of out-workers.

2. The Secretary of a District Trade Committee shall be the Secretary for the time being of the Trade Board.

3. The Ministry, if it think it necessary or desirable in order to secure adequate representation of any classes of employers or workers, may, after giving the District Trade Committee an opportunity to be heard, appoint additional representative members on a District Trade Committee and such representative members may be appointed either for the whole term of office of the District Trade Committee or for any part thereof. The number of such additional members acting at any one time shall always be an even number, not exceeding 4 in all. Half shall be representatives of employers and half shall be representatives of workers.

4. A District Trade Committee shall continue in existence for not less than one year, subject to the proviso that the term of office of the Committee shall end with the term of office of the Trade Board. The Ministry may, however, if it think fit, dissolve a Committee at the expiration of one year from the date of its establishment or at any subsequent date before the expiry of the term of office of the Trade Board.

5. If any representative of employers or workers fail to attend one half of the total number of meetings in any period of twelve months, or if, for any other reason, the Ministry is of opinion that there is good and sufficient cause to terminate his appointment, the Ministry may, after giving the representative an opportunity to be heard, determine his appointment and he shall thereupon vacate his seat on the District Trade Committee.

6. Any member vacating his seat on a District Trade Committee under either of the preceding Regulations or for any other reason shall be eligible for reappointment.

7. A vacancy occurring in the membership of a District Trade Committee from any cause shall be filled in the same manner as in the case of the original appointment to the Committee.

8. Every member of a District Trade Committee shall have one vote. The vote of the Chairman shall be of the nature of a casting vote and shall be exercised, at his discretion, only when the other votes are equally divided. If at any meeting of a Committee a majority of the representative members present so agree, the votes of the members may be taken by sides, the majority of each side present and voting being taken as the vote of the side. If the members have not agreed to vote by sides and the numbers of members present representing employers and workers, respectively, are unequal, it shall be open to the side which is in the majority to arrange that one or more of their members shall refrain from voting in order to preserve equality. Failing either such arrangement, the Chairman may, if he think it desirable, adjourn the voting on any question to another meeting of the Committee.

9. In order to constitute a meeting of a District Trade Committee at least one-third of the whole number of the members, as provided for by these Regulations, must be present.

10. The proceedings of a District Trade Committee shall not be invalidated by any vacancy occurring in such Committee from any cause, including neglect or refusal to appoint a member or members thereof, or by any defect in the appointment or qualification of any of the members thereof.

11. Any question as to the construction or interpretation of these Regulations shall, in the event of dispute, be referred to the Ministry for decision.

12. The Regulations dated July 22, 1910, and November 24, 1914, made by the Board of Trade as to the constitution of District

Trade Committees are, in so far as they apply to Northern Ireland, hereby revoked.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this twelfth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty five.

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Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Trade, Northern Ireland.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE TRADE BOARDS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 (13 & 14 GEO. 5, CH. 32).

1925. No. 60.

The Ministry of Labour (in these Regulations referred to as "the Ministry") in pursuance of powers conferred by Section 17 of the Trade Boards Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and of every other power the Ministry hereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. A Trade Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Trade Board") shall be established in Northern Ireland for the Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Trade (hereinafter referred to as "the Trade") as specified in the Schedule to the Trade Boards Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and as set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

2. The Trade Board shall consist of:—

- (a) the appointed member,
- (b) not more than eight members representing employers in the trade,
- (c) not more than eight members representing workers in the trade, and
- (d) any additional representative members who may be appointed in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5 of these Regulations.

3. The appointed member shall be an independent person appointed by the Ministry, and shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Trade Board.