

Any of the qualifications under A above or one of the following certificates—

- (a) Grade V of the Incorporated Society of Musicians.
- (b) Advanced Grade of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and Royal College of Music.
- (c) First Honours in the Honours Course, Grade V, of the Royal Irish Academy of Music.
- (d) Final Grade of the Trinity College of Music Local Centre Examinations.
- (e) The Froebel Certificate, if music is specified thereon.

C.—For Practical Instruction (Pianoforte, Violin, etc.)

The qualifications under A (for instruction of all pupils) and B above (for instruction of preparatory pupils), in respect of the particular subject covered by the diploma or certificate.

VII.—IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

The diploma of any institution approved by the Ministry.

B.—For Preparatory Teachers.

1. Teachers possessing the qualifications required for secondary teachers may be recognized as qualified to teach the same subjects in preparatory schools.
2. Except in languages other than English—
 - (a) The full course of training in a training college recognized by the Ministry for public elementary school teachers in Northern Ireland.
 - (b) The certificates as elementary teachers of either the Board of Education or the Scottish Education Department.
3. The Higher Certificate of the National Froebel Union, in respect of the subjects mentioned in the certificate.

Teachers' Superannuation.

1929. No. 54.

In pursuance of Section 70 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, as amended by Section 8 of the Teachers' Superannuation Act (Northern Ireland), 1926, the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, after consultation with the Ministries of Education and Agriculture, hereby frames the following Superannuation Scheme, which, subject to the provisions therein contained, shall apply to "transferred teachers" as defined in Clause 2 of the Scheme.

1. This Scheme shall come into operation on the 1st April, 1929, and shall not apply with respect to any pension or gratuity which became payable or would, if this Scheme had been in operation, have become payable before that date.

2. "Approved external service" means any period of service in Great Britain in respect of which pensions or gratuities may be granted under Part II. of the Teachers' (Superannuation) Act, 1925, or under the Education (Scotland) (Superannuation) Act, 1925.

“Northern Ireland approved service” means any period of service (including service as devalued other than service in Great Britain) which may be reckoned for pension purposes in accordance with a Superannuation Scheme framed under the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923.

“Fund” means the Teachers' Superannuation Fund as constituted under Section 1 of the Teachers' Superannuation Act (Northern Ireland), 1926.

“Transferred teacher” means a person having pensionable service under a Superannuation Scheme framed under the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and also approved external service.

3. A transferred teacher on retirement, or his legal personal representatives in the event of his death while serving as a teacher or while in receipt of a pension, shall be entitled to receive from the fund a pension or gratuity, or a refund of contributions, with or without interest, as the case may be, in accordance with the provisions of the appropriate Superannuation Scheme in force in Northern Ireland at the date of the teacher's retirement or death, subject to the following modifications, viz. :—

- (1) Approved external service shall, if necessary, be treated as service for the purpose of making up a definite period of completed years of service prescribed as a condition of obtaining a pension or gratuity.
- (2) In calculating the average annual salary for pension or gratuity, the salary paid in respect of approved external service falling within the period of 3 years prior to retirement or death shall be included, but where the average annual salary thus calculated is in excess of the maximum salary for which the teacher, in the opinion of the Ministry of Finance, would have been eligible, if his approved external service had been Northern Ireland approved service of an analogous character, the average annual salary shall be deemed to be such maximum.
- (3) A pension or gratuity shall not become payable so long as a transferred teacher is employed in approved external service.
- (4) The pension or gratuity payable from the fund shall be calculated by reference to the actual period of Northern Ireland approved service, and not by reference to the completed years of that service: Provided that where the Northern Ireland approved service and approved external service (the total of which is hereinafter in this Scheme referred to as “total service”) include fractions of a year which together exceed twelve months, there shall be deducted from the Northern Ireland approved service a proportion of such excess equal to the proportion which the Northern Ireland approved service bears to the total service.

- (5) Where the total service of a transferred teacher exceeds forty years, the Northern Ireland approved service shall be reduced by such proportion of the excess as is equal to the proportion which his Northern Ireland approved service bears to the total service.
- (6) In the event of the death of a transferred teacher during approved external service, all contributions made by him to the fund, together with compound interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum up to the date of death, shall be paid to his legal personal representatives, provided that if the death gratuity (if any) and any previous benefits together with compound interest thereon at the rate of three per cent. per annum up to the date of death paid or payable under Part II. of the Teachers' (Superannuation) Act, 1925, or the Education (Scotland) (Superannuation) Act, 1925, exceeds the amount of contributions in respect of his approved external service together with compound interest thereon at the rate of three per cent. per annum, then the amount of the repayment shall be reduced by a sum equal to such excess.
- (7) A transferred teacher, if he retires from approved external service whilst being ineligible for the award of a pension or gratuity under this Article, shall be entitled to a repayment from the fund of the amount of his contributions thereto, provided that if the benefits paid or payable under Part II of the Teachers' (Superannuation) Act, 1925, or the Education (Scotland) Superannuation Act, 1925, together with compound interest thereon at three per cent. per annum up to the date of repayment exceed the amount of contributions in respect of his approved external service together with compound interest thereon at the rate of three per cent. per annum, then the amount of the repayment shall be reduced by a sum equal to such excess.
- (8) In the event of the death of a pensioner, whose last employment was in Northern Ireland approved service, the gratuity (if any) payable to his legal personal representatives from the fund shall be reduced by the amount of the pension paid or payable in respect of his approved external service.
- (9) In the event of the death of a pensioner, whose last employment was in approved external service, no gratuity shall be payable to his legal personal representatives from the fund.

4. If a teacher, having resigned from Northern Ireland approved service at any time before the date of confirmation of this Scheme by Order in Council without becoming entitled to a pension or

gratuity, and having obtained a refund of his contributions to the fund, is subsequently employed in approved external service, he may, within a period of six months or such longer period as the Ministry of Finance may permit in any special case, repay to the fund the amount of the contributions so refunded to him with compound interest thereon at the rate of four per cent. per annum calculated from the date of the refunding of contributions; whereupon he shall be regarded as a transferred teacher within the meaning of the Scheme.

5. A transferred teacher having retired with a pension and being re-employed as a teacher in pensionable service in Great Britain shall cease to receive payment of pension from the fund during the period of such re-employment.

6. This Scheme shall not apply—

- (1) to any transferred teacher serving in approved external service at any time between the 1st April, 1929, and the date of confirmation of this Scheme by Order in Council unless within six months, or such longer period as the Ministry of Finance may permit, from the latter date he repays to the fund all contributions returned to him together with compound interest thereon at the rate of four per cent. per annum calculated from the date of the return of contributions;
- (2) to any transferred teacher serving in Northern Ireland approved service at any time between the 1st April, 1929, and the date of confirmation of this Scheme by Order in Council, who is entitled to benefit under previous schemes in respect of service as a teacher in Great Britain, unless within six months, or such longer period as the Ministry of Finance may permit, from the latter date the teacher in writing to the Ministry of Finance renounces his claim to any pension or gratuity from the fund in respect of service as a teacher in Great Britain.

7. This Scheme may be cited as the Teachers Superannuation (Reciprocal Arrangements) Scheme, 1929.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance
this 6th day of June, 1929, in the presence of

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G. C. Duggan,

Assistant Secretary.
