

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations, in witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry has been affixed hereto, this 13th day of December, 1935, in the presence of—

(L.S.)

G. C. Duggan,
Assistant Secretary.

King's Scholarship Examinations.

REGULATIONS, DATED 14TH MAY, 1935, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 65 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN TERMS OF SECTION 99 (3) OF THE ACT AFORESAID.

1935. No. 64.

NOTE :—The foregoing Regulations, being temporary in effect, have not been printed at length in this volume.

Public Elementary Schools : Regulations.

REGULATIONS, DATED 4TH JUNE, 1935, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 TO 1931, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND DULY LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT.

1935. No. 69.

The Public Elementary Schools Regulations, 1934, (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1934, No. 40) (hereinafter called the "Principal Regulations") are hereby amended as follows :—

1. Article 16 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

" 16. Where schools are amalgamated and the principal of any such school is retained as a privileged assistant in the amalgamated school such privileged assistant may continue to be recognised irrespective of the average attendance of pupils, and may receive (apart from any "Principal's Grant" or capitation grant to which he may be entitled under Part VI. of these Regulations) such salary (inclusive of increments and additional emoluments for special qualifications) as in the opinion of the Ministry he would have received had he remained principal of the separate school."

2. Article 41 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

" 41. A first vice-principal may be appointed on an "appointment average" of 200 pupils and a second vice-principal on an "appointment average" of 455 pupils but no

second vice-principal may be appointed in any Infant's or Junior School.

For the purpose of this Regulation the "appointment average" shall be determined in the case of a "large school" in the manner prescribed in Article 54 and in the case of other schools as prescribed in Article 44."

3. Clause (b) of Article 46 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following clause substituted therefor :—

"46. (b) The grant in respect of a vice-principal appointed on or after 1st July, 1935, shall not be withdrawn in the case of a "large school" until the 30th June following a decrease in average daily attendance for a year ending on the previous 31st March, and in the case of other schools until the end of two consecutive quarters, below that required for his appointment as prescribed in Article 41 : provided, however, that in the case of an appointment made prior to the 1st July, 1935, the grant to a first vice-principal shall not be withdrawn owing to a decrease in the average daily attendance until the end of two consecutive quarters for which the average daily attendance has fallen below 160 pupils and to a second vice-principal until the average daily attendance has fallen below 320 pupils, so long as he continues to serve as vice-principal in the same school."

4. Clause (a) of Article 49 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following clause substituted therefor :—

"49. (a) A master shall not be recognised in a girls' school."

5. Article 54 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

"54. To warrant the appointment in any "large school" of an assistant teacher for the year beginning 1st July, hereinafter called a "permanent assistant," the "appointment average" must have reached the appropriate minimum prescribed in Article 40 (a) for the year ending on the previous 31st March : provided, however, that if instruction in one or more of the following subjects, viz., Domestic Economy, Handwork, Horticulture, Nature Study, Elementary Science is given by public elementary school teachers on the staff of the school in special rooms suitably and properly equipped the number of "permanent assistants" may be increased by one if there has been an average daily attendance for the same yearly period of not less than 250 pupils in fourth and higher standards, by two if the same average daily attendance has been not less than 500 pupils and by three if it has been not less than 750 pupils."

6. Clause (a) of Article 60 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following clause substituted therefor :—

“ 60. (a) In the case of a school with an average daily attendance of 30 to 94 pupils have completed his period of probation and be rated as not lower than efficient : provided that in a school with an average daily attendance of not more than 60 pupils (in which the appointment of a master can be approved) a master who has not completed his first probationary period (as defined in Article 71 (a)) may nevertheless be recognised provisionally as principal, subject to the terms of Article 71 (a) of these Regulations.”

7. Clause (f) of Article 62 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed.

8. Clause (c) of Article 66 of the Principal Regulations is hereby amended by adding thereto the following provision :—

“ or is required mainly for the teaching of Domestic Economy, Handwork, Horticulture, Nature Study, Elementary Science, Drawing or Music and holds such special qualifications in this subject as may be approved by the Ministry.”

9. Clauses (a) and (d) of Article 78 of the Principal Regulations are hereby repealed and the following clauses substituted therefor :—

“ 78. (a) A teacher must, on first appointment to a public elementary school in Northern Ireland be over 18 and under 30 years of age : provided, however, that a person otherwise qualified under the Ministry's Rules, who is between the ages of 30 and 45 years, may be admitted to the service if the Ministry is satisfied that since he reached the age of 30 he has been continuously employed in educational institutions of appropriate standing. The case of teachers previously serving in Great Britain will be specially considered if their service between the ages of 30 and 45 years has not been continuous over the whole period.”

“ (d) Where the interruption of service in public elementary schools in Great Britain or Northern Ireland has covered a period of fifteen years re-admission to the service cannot be granted.”

10. Article 107 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

“ 107. Teachers shall give at least three days' notice to the senior inspector of the circuit, the inspector of the section, the Local Education Authority and the school attendance officer, of the intended closing of the school, specifying the cause and duration of closing ; and shall not close the school for any purpose without permission of the manager.”

11.—(1) Clause (a) of Article 128 shall apply only to a teacher who was recognised as Principal of a school on 30th September, 1935, and only for so long as he continues to serve in that capacity in that school, and shall not apply to any teacher recognised as Principal on or after 1st October, 1935.

(2) A principal teacher appointed as such on or after 1st October, 1935, to a school with an average daily attendance of not less than 30 pupils shall receive an annual grant, to be termed the "Principal's Grant," in lieu of Annual Capitation Grant, at the following rates :—

<i>Grade (according to size).</i>	<i>Average daily attendance.</i>	<i>Rate of Principal's Grant.</i>
(1)	30—49	£18
(2)	50—94	£30
(3)	95—139	£50
(4)	140—184	£65
(5)	185—274	£80
(6)	275—364	£100
(7)	365—499	£120
(8)	500—724	£160
(9)	725 and over	£200

(3) Clause (c) of Article 128 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed, and the following clause substituted therefor :—

"(c) A "Vice-Principal's Grant" of £32 per annum shall be paid to a first vice-principal and a "Vice-Principal's Grant" of £25 per annum to a second vice-principal appointed under Article 41 : provided however that a capitation grant at the rate of 4s. 6d. for each pupil in average daily attendance in excess of 120 up to a limit of 280 shall be paid to a first vice-principal and a capitation grant at the rate of 4s. 6d. per pupil in excess of 280 up to a maximum of 440 to a second vice-principal where such first vice-principal or second vice-principal comes within the operation of the proviso to Article 46 (b)."

(4) On and after 1st October, 1935, clause (d) of Article 128 of the Principal Regulations shall cease to have effect and the following clause shall thenceforth be substituted therefor :—

"(d) Where, in consequence of the principalship of a school with an average daily attendance of not less than 30 pupils becoming vacant on or after 1st October, 1935, the duties of the principal have been discharged by an assistant teacher, a locum tenens, or a junior assistant mistress for a period of not less than one month, the "Principal's Grant" accruing in respect of that period may be paid to the said assistant, locum tenens or junior assistant mistress, provided (i) that a privileged assistant or a vice-principal was not serving in the school

during the period of the vacancy, and (ii) that there has been no unnecessary delay in filling the vacancy."

12. From and after 1st October, 1935, Article 129 of the Principal Regulations shall not apply in such manner as to benefit any teacher who is in receipt of a "Principal's Grant" or a "Vice-Principal's Grant."

13. Clauses (c) and (f) of Article 130 of the Principal Regulations are hereby repealed as from 1st October, 1935 and the following clauses shall from the said date be added to the said Article after clause (e) thereof :—

"(f) The foregoing provisions of this Article shall, on and after the 1st day of October, 1935, apply to a principal teacher or a privileged assistant, recognised as such in an amalgamated school prior to that date, only so long as he continues to serve in the same capacity in that amalgamated school."

"(g) In any case where after the 1st day of October, 1935, a teacher is appointed principal teacher or privileged assistant in an amalgamated school (as in this Article defined) then in every such case in lieu of the provisions hereinbefore in this Article contained respecting payment of capitation grant to such principal teacher or privileged assistant the following provisions shall have effect and apply :—

- (i) Such principal teacher shall receive "Principal's Grant" at the rate appropriate to the grade of the school : provided, however, that where the appointment of a principal should, in the opinion of the Ministry, be made from amongst the available principals of the separate schools, or from amongst the privileged assistants in the amalgamated school, as the case may be, but where another person is appointed as principal, the Ministry may in its absolute discretion make such reduction in the rate of the "Principal's Grant" as, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, it may deem proper ;
- (ii) a privileged assistant who was in receipt of "Principal's Grant" immediately before his appointment to the amalgamated school shall, so long as he continues to be recognised as privileged assistant in the amalgamated school, be eligible to receive "Principal's Grant" at such rate—not being greater than the rate at which he was being paid immediately before such appointment—as the Ministry, having regard to the particular circumstances of the case, may from time to time determine ;
- (iii) a privileged assistant who was in receipt of Annual Capitation Grant immediately before his appointment to the amalgamated school shall, so long as he continues to be recognised as privileged assistant in the

amalgamated school, be eligible to receive Annual Capitation Grant in accordance with such special arrangements as the Ministry may from time to time determine having regard to the particular circumstances of the case."

"(h) In the event of the circumstances of an amalgamated school becoming altered, by reason of re-organization, amalgamation with one or more other schools, resignation or death of a privileged teacher, or otherwise, so as to render it desirable, in the opinion of the Ministry, that the arrangements for allocation of grants referred to in this Article should be revised, the Ministry may in such event make such new arrangements for allocation of the said grants as it may deem equitable."

14. Article 138 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

" 138. (a) The category or grade in regard to average daily attendance in which a school is recognised shall not be altered until the average daily attendance falls into a lower category or grade for each of two consecutive years ending on 31st December, or rises into a higher category or grade for the same period.

(b) The grade of a school shall be determined by the average daily attendance of pupils for the year ending 31st December of the year preceding the date from which a "Principal's Grant" first becomes payable and the category or grade of newly recognised schools, or of schools which have been amalgamated, re-organised or superseded in part by new schools shall be determined by the average daily attendance of pupils during such periods as may be prescribed by the Ministry."

15. The following proviso is hereby added to Article 139 of the Principal Regulations :—

" Provided that in 'large schools' where the majority of the pupils are enrolled in fourth and higher standards, grants may be paid irrespective of the time when the instruction is given if the minimum time constituting an 'attendance' as defined in Article 35 for such senior pupils is extended from four to four and a half hours on each day when instruction in extra subjects is given and the subjects are taught for the minimum time required by Article 140."

16. Article 145 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

“ 145. Not more than 45 pupils may be enrolled in any one class for instruction in an extra subject without the special sanction of the Ministry, except in schools where these classes are conducted in accordance with the proviso to Article 139, but in no such case shall grants be paid on more than forty pupils.”

17. Article 155 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

“ 155. (a) The Maintenance Grant shall be the lesser of :—

either

(i) A sum equivalent to the expenditure on equipment, fuel, material, etc., necessarily incurred during the school year in connection with the instruction ;

or

(ii) in the case of classes conducted under Article 152 (a) a sum calculated at the rate of 2s. 6d., subject to the provisions of Article 166, for each eligible girl pupil who has attended at least thirteen lessons and during such attendance was enrolled in fifth or higher standard or had reached the age of twelve years.

(b) In the case of classes conducted under Article 152 (b), the following shall be substituted for the provisions contained in sub-clause (a) (ii) of this Article : a sum calculated at the rate of 5s. 0d., subject to the provisions of Article 166, for each eligible girl pupil who has attended at least twenty-six lessons of not less than one and a half hours' each or any equivalent amount of instruction and during such attendance was enrolled in fifth or higher standard or had reached the age of twelve years.”

18. Article 200 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following article substituted therefor :—

“ 200. Applicants for junior pupil teacherships shall forward their applications, on the prescribed form, through the principal of the public elementary school, to the Secretary, Ministry of Education, Stormont, Belfast, so as to reach the Ministry not later than 1st April in the year in which appointment is sought, provided that applications received between 1st April and 15th April may, at the discretion of the Ministry, be accepted on payment of a late fee of ten shillings in respect of each applicant. A duplicate application shall also be sent to the local inspector at the same time.”

19. These Regulations shall be construed with and as forming part of the Principal Regulations save that they shall take and have effect from 1st July, 1935, except where otherwise provided herein.

20. These Regulations may be cited as the Public Elementary Schools' Regulations, 1934, Amending Regulations, No. 1, 1935.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland, this fourth day of June, 1935.

(L.S.)

A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,
Secretary.

Secondary Schools : Examinations.

REGULATIONS, DATED 20TH MARCH, 1935, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 99 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT SECTION.

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I.—CITATIONS AND DEFINITIONS.

1. These regulations may be cited as "The Secondary School Examinations Regulations."

2. In these regulations—

- (1) the expression "the Ministry" means the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland;
- (2) the expression "secondary" includes "intermediate";
- (3) the expression "school-year" means an annual period beginning on 1st August and ending on 31st July following;
- (4) the expression "approved" means approved by the Ministry;
- (5) the expression "recognized" means recognized by the Ministry, and when used with reference to an intermediate or secondary school means recognized under the Ministry's regulations for the payment of grants to preparatory, intermediate and secondary schools.
- (6) the expression "compulsory subject" means a subject the examination in which a candidate is obliged to take under these regulations;
- (7) the expression "pass in" a subject means pass the examination in that subject;
- (8) the masculine includes the feminine and the singular includes the plural except where the context requires otherwise.