

**CIVIL AUTHORITIES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACTS  
(NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922-1943**

REGULATIONS, DATED 5TH APRIL, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (3) OF SECTION ONE OF THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922.

1950. No. 48

WHEREAS by virtue of the Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, there are in force certain Regulations for peace and order in Northern Ireland being —

- (a) Regulations contained in the Schedule to that Act, and
- (b) Regulations made by the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland pursuant to powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section one of the said Act

(which Regulations were contained in the Schedule or made as aforesaid are hereinafter referred to as the "principal Regulations") :

AND WHEREAS the said Minister is empowered by the said sub-section (3) to make Regulations for making further provision for the preservation of the peace and maintenance of order and any Regulations so made shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, have effect and be in force in like manner as Regulations contained in the Schedule to that Act :

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that further provision for the preservation of the peace and maintenance of order should be made :

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE BRIAN MAGINNESS, K.C., M.P., MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by the said sub-section, DO HEREBY make the following Regulations :—

1. At the end of Regulation 10 of the principal Regulations there shall be inserted the following Regulations :—

" 11. Any police officer or constable may, if he suspects that any house, building, land, vehicle, vessel, aircraft, or other premises or any thing therein are being or have been or are about to be constructed, used or kept for any purpose or in any way prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order, or that a crime or offence against these Regulations is being or has been committed thereon or therein, enter, if need be by force, the house, building, land, vehicle, vessel, aircraft or premises at any time of the day or night and examine, search and inspect the same or any part thereof and may seize anything found thereon or therein or any such vehicle, vessel or aircraft which he suspects is being used or intended to be used for any such purpose as aforesaid or is being kept or used in contravention of these Regulations.

12. Any police officer or constable may stop any vehicle travelling along any public road and if he suspects that any vehicle upon any public road is being used for any purpose or in any way prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order or otherwise unlawfully, may search and seize the vehicle and seize anything found therein which he suspects is being used or intended to be used for any such purpose or in any such way as aforesaid.

13. Any police officer or constable, if he suspects that any person is carrying any firearms, ammunition, explosive substances or any article or document for any purpose or in any way prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order, may stop that person and search him and may seize any firearms, ammunition, explosive substances or any article or document carried by that person which he suspects is being used or intended to be used for any such purpose or in any such way as aforesaid.

14. It shall be the duty of any person, if so required by a police officer or constable, to stop and answer to the best of his ability and knowledge any questions which may be reasonably addressed to him and if he refuses or fails to stop or if he refuses or fails so to answer such questions he shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations.

15. Any police officer or constable may arrest without warrant any person whom he suspects of acting or having acted or being about to act in a manner prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order or who is suspected of having committed any offence against these Regulations, and anything found on any person so arrested may be seized.

Where any person is so arrested, and the Civil Authority is satisfied that with a view to preventing him acting in any manner prejudicial to the preservation of the peace or maintenance of order it is necessary so to do, the Civil Authority may make an Order against that person directing that he be detained either in any of His Majesty's Prisons or elsewhere as may be specified in the Order and upon such conditions as the Civil Authority may direct.

No person shall be detained as aforesaid for a longer period than 7 days without a charge having been preferred against him.

Where a charge is preferred against any such person as aforesaid he shall be given at least 24 hours' notice in writing of the nature of such charge.

Any person detained under this Regulation shall, if so ordered by the Civil Authority, be photographed and impressions shall be taken of his fingerprints and thumbprints. If such person refuses to allow his photograph or such impressions to be taken or

obstructs the taking thereof he shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations.

Any person detained under this Regulation may, without prejudice to any powers of removal, be removed on the order of the Civil Authority to any place where his presence is required in the interests of justice and may be detained in such place during such time as his presence is so required there and whilst being so removed or detained he shall be deemed to be detained under the provisions of these Regulations.

If any person assists or connives at the escape of any person who is detained under this Regulation or knowingly harbours or assists any person who has so escaped he shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations."

2. At the end of Regulation 35 of the principal Regulations, there shall be inserted the following Regulation :—

" 36. The Civil Authority may order anything seized under or by virtue of these Regulations to be disposed of in such manner as he may think fit."

Given under my hand at Belfast this 5th day of April, 1950.

*Brian Maginess,*

Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

### CIVIL DEFENCE : AUXILIARY FIREMEN

REGULATIONS, DATED 1ST NOVEMBER, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION THREE OF THE CIVIL DEFENCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950.

1950. No. 206

The Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section three of the Civil Defence Act (Northern Ireland), 1950, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. It shall be the function of the Fire Authority to train auxiliary firemen, enrolled by the Ministry, with a view to their taking part in civil defence.

2.—(1) The Fire Authority may appoint a committee, to be known as the Auxiliary Fire Services Committee, to exercise all or any part of the function conferred on them as aforesaid on their behalf as their agent.

(2) A committee so appointed shall be composed of the Chairman and not more than five members of the Fire Authority, and if the Fire