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(2) If any question arises as to whether any of the requirements of these Regulations are fulfilled, or as to the amount of any salary or allowance payable thereunder, the decision of the Ministry shall be final.

14. The following Regulations shall be revoked as from 1st April, 1954:—

The Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1951, (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1951, No. 76);

The Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Amending Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1952, (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1952, No. 107);

The Primary Schools (Salaries and Allowances) Amending Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1953, (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1953, No. 55).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 1st day of April, 1954, in the presence of

(L.S.)

G. R. McConnell, Secretary.

Teachers' Compulsory Absence and Special Sick Leave

REGULATIONS DATED 7TH APRIL, 1954, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947 TO 1953, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

1954. No. 46

The Ministry of Education (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 84, 104 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1947 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Teachers' Compulsory Absence and Special Sick Leave Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of August, 1954.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say:—

"Approved " means approved by the Ministry;

- "Authority" means the Northern Ireland Tuberculosis Authority;
- "Existing teacher" means a full-time teacher employed in a school on the date on which these Regulations come into force;

"Full-time teacher" means a teacher in respect of whose employment an agreement is required in accordance with the provisions of Section 84 of the Act;

"Managers" in the case of—

- (i) a county school;
- (ii) an institution of further education;
- (iii) a nursery school or special school under the management of a local education authority,

means the local education authority and in all other cases means the person or body of persons having the management of the school;

"Relevant date " means—

- (i) 1st November, 1954, in the case of an existing teacher; and
- (ii) the date of expiration of a period of three months from the date on which any other full-time teacher takes up duty;

'Relevant Regulations " means the Regulations relating to the terms and conditions of employment of teachers in grant-aided schools and institutions;

"Salary" means the salary and allowances payable to a full-time teacher under the Regulations made in accordance with the provisions of Section 83 of the Act;

- "School " means a grant-aided school or institution of further education;
- "Teacher" means a teacher in a grant-aided school or institution of further education.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

3.-(1) A teacher who is certified by the Authority, or by a registered medical practitioner, to be suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis shall forthwith absent himself from his teaching duties.

(2) The managers of the school or schools in which the teacher is employed shall suspend the teacher from duty with effect from the date on which he is required to absent himself from teaching duties in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Regulation.

(3) A teacher who is suspended from duty in accordance with paragraph (2) of this Regulation shall continue to be so suspended until such time as the Authority is satisfied that the disease has been quiescent for a period of at least six months and that the teacher's resumption of duty would not constitute a source of danger to the health of the pupils or other members of the staff.

4.—(1) A teacher who is certified by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of Regulation 3 of these Regulations and has grounds, supported by a certificate from a registered medical practitioner, for believing that the diagnosis as certified by the Authority is not correct, may appeal to the Ministry to have his case further investigated.

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(2) In the event of an appeal in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Regulation the Ministry may require the teacher to submit himself for medical examination by a board of medical referees to be appointed by the Ministry.

(3) A Board of medical referees appointed by the Ministry for the purpose of this Regulation may include a registered medical practitioner nominated by, or on behalf of, the teacher.

(4) Any fee charged for his services on the Board by the registered medical referee nominated by the teacher shall be payable by the teacher.

5.—(1) A full-time teacher, who, before the relevant date, has completed an undertaking in an approved form to submit himself to an annual X-ray examination of the chest conducted by the Authority, and such other examinations as the Authority may consider necessary, and who has submitted himself to such examination or examinations when invited to do so by the Authority shall, if suspended from duty under the provisions of Regulation 3 of these Regulations, be entitled, by virtue of this paragraph, but not otherwise, to special sick leave for a period not exceeding eighteen months from the date of such suspension: Provided that if a teacher, as an alternative to examination by the Authority, elects, at his own expense to be examined by a physician nominated by the teacher and approved by the Authority, he may do so and shall thereby be deemed to have complied with the requirements of this paragraph.

(2) During the first twelve months of the special sick leave to which he is entitled under paragraph (1) of this Regulation the teacher shall, subject to the provisions of Regulation 9 of these Regulations, receive full salary, and during any further period of special sick leave not exceeding six months, half salary.

6. The special sick leave to which a full-time teacher is entitled under Regulation 5 of these Regulations shall apply only to one period of absence from duty due to pulmonary tuberculosis.

7. These Regulations shall not operate so as to deprive a fulltime teacher of sick leave to which he is entitled under the relevant Regulations: Provided that a full-time teacher who has been granted special sick leave under these Regulations and who, on the expiration of such leave, is unable to resume duty by reason of the fact that the Authority is unable to certify that the disease has been quiescent for a period of six months, shall not thereupon become entitled to sick leave under the relevant Regulations in respect of any period of suspension from duty, under Regulation 3 of these Regulations, immediately following the special sick leave.

8. A period of special sick leave under these Regulations shall be regarded as service for the purposes of the relevant Regulations.

9. The salary payable to a full-time teacher during special sick leave shall be abated in accordance with the Teachers' Salaries (Abatement During Absence Owing to Illness) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949.

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10.---(1) Approved expenditure incurred by managers (other than managers of a voluntary grammar school) as a result of the operation of these Regulations shall be included in the expenditure in respect of which grants are payable by the Ministry in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1)(b) or (1)(d), as the case may be, of Section 104 of the Act.

(2) The Ministry shall pay grants to the managers of a voluntary grammar school equal to any approved expenditure incurred by the managers as a result of the operation of these. Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 7th day of April, 1954, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. M. Benn,

Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 7th day of April, 1954, in the presence of

(L.S.)

Thom McCrea,

Assistant Secretary.

Teachers' Salaries and Allowances: Compensation Grants

REGULATIONS, DATED 23RD JULY, 1954, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947 TO 1953.

1954. No. 120

The Ministry of Education (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Sections 83 and 112 of the Education Act (N.I.), 1947, (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and after consultation with the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Teachers' Salaries and Allowances (Compensation Grants) Amending Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954.

(2) These Regulations shall have effect from the date hereof.

2. The principal Regulations hereby amended are the Teachers' Salaries and Allowances (Compensation Grants) Regulations, 1953 (a).

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