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ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY

Miscellaneous Provisions

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH FEBRUARY 1972, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 25 OF THE POLICE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970.

The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf and after consulting the Police Authority, the Police Association and, in accordance with the Police Act 1969(b), the Police Council for the United Kingdom hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1972.

Commencement

2. These Regulations shall have effect:—
- (a) for the purposes of Regulation 3(a) and (d), from 1st September 1970;
 - (b) for the purposes of Regulation 3(b) and 4(a), from 1st March 1972;
 - (c) for the purposes of Regulation 3(c), from 1st July 1971;
 - (d) for the purposes of Regulation 4(b), from 1st September 1971.

Amendments to the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pay (No. 2) Regulations 1971

3. In the Royal Ulster Constabulary Pay (No. 2) Regulations 1971(c):—
- (a) For paragraph (3) of Regulation 6 there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

“(3) Regulation 5 and Schedules I, II, III and IV shall have effect in relation to a university scholar subject to the provisions of Schedule V.”

- (b) For Regulation 11 (which relates to deductions from pay of sickness or injury benefits) there shall be substituted the following Regulation:—

“11.—(1) There shall be deducted from the pay of a member the amount of any such national insurance benefit as is mentioned in paragraph (3) to which he is entitled.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) a policewoman who, as a married woman or a widow, is excepted from liability to pay contributions under Section 3 of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(d) shall be deemed to be entitled to any national insurance benefit mentioned in paragraph (3) to which she would have been entitled had she not been so excepted.

(a) 1970. c. 9 (N.I.).
(b) 1969. c. 63.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971, No. 154.
(d) 1966. c. 6 (N.I.).

(3) The national insurance benefits referred to in this Regulation are:—

- (a) any sickness benefit under the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 together with any supplement thereto payable under Section 2 of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(e);
 - (b) any invalidity pension or allowance payable under the Social Services (Parity) Order (Northern Ireland) 1971(f);
 - (c) any injury benefit under the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(g) together with any supplement thereto payable under Section 2 of the National Insurance (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.”
- (c) For Table A in Schedule I (which relates to the rates of pay of Chief Constable, Deputy Chief Constable and Assistant Chief Constable) there shall be substituted the following table:—

“SCHEDULE I

SCALES OF PAY FOR MEN

TABLE A

Service in the Rank	Ranks and rates of annual pay		
	Chief Constable	Deputy Chief Constable	Assistant Chief Constable
	£	£	£
Under 1 year	7,719	5,790	5,019
After 1 year	7,962	5,973	5,178
„ 2 years	8,205	6,156	5,334
„ 3 years	8,448	6,336	5,493
„ 4 years	8,691	6,519	5,652 ”

- (d) Schedule III (which relates to university scholars) shall be re-numbered Schedule V.

Amendments to the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances Regulations 1971

4. In the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances Regulations 1971(h):—

- (a) For paragraphs (1) and (2) of Regulation 10 (removal allowance) there shall be substituted the following paragraphs:—

“10.—(1) Where a member moves his home, except for the purpose of joining the force or for the purpose of taking up duty at his first station following initial training, and the removal is, in the opinion of the Chief Constable, due to the exigencies of police duty or is made at the request of the Chief Constable and is, in his opinion, in the interests of the efficiency of the force, the Police Authority—

- (a) shall either reimburse the reasonably incurred cost of removal or carry out the removal;

(e) 1966. c. 16 (N.I.).
(f) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971, No. 224,

(g) 1966. c. 9 (N.I.).
(h) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1971, No. 142,

- (b) shall, where the member was the owner of his former home, reimburse expenses reasonably incurred by him in connection with the disposal thereof;
- (c) shall, where the member is the owner of his new home, reimburse expenses reasonably incurred by him in connection with the acquisition thereof if—
 - (i) he was the owner of his former home, or
 - (ii) the Police Authority, after consulting the Chief Constable, are satisfied that he could neither have been provided with a suitable house or quarters nor have been reasonably expected to find suitable rented accommodation within a reasonable distance of his normal place of duty,

so, however, that where the Police Authority are of the opinion that the member could have acquired a suitable home for a consideration less than that actually paid, they may restrict the reimbursement of expenses directly related to the consideration paid by him to expenses which would have been reasonably incurred had he paid that lesser consideration.

(2) Where a member moves his home in consequence of his voluntarily transferring to the Royal Ulster Constabulary from a police force as defined in Section 62 of the Police Act 1964(i) the Police Authority may—

- (a) either reimburse the reasonable cost of removal or carry out the removal;
 - (b) in the circumstances mentioned in paragraph (1)(b), reimburse the expenses there mentioned;
 - (c) in the circumstances and subject to the conditions mentioned in paragraph (1)(c), reimburse the expenses there mentioned.”
- (b) In Regulation 12 (boot allowance) for the words “£9.750 a year” there shall be substituted the words “£1.040 per month”.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 28th day of February 1972.

(L.S.)

M. K. Harris,
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby concurs in the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 28th day of February 1972.

(L.S.)

C. F. Darling,
Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Finance.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the Regulations relating to pay and allowances of members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary. Regulation 3(b) provides for the inclusion of an invalidity pension as one of the National Insurance benefits to be taken into account when reckoning deductions from pay. Regulation 3(c) provides for an increase, with effect from 1st July 1971, in the pay scales of Chief Constable, Deputy Chief Constable and Assistant Chief Constable. Regulation 4(a) restricts the right to payment of removal allowance to those members who are already in post at the time of the removal, but also permits the Police Authority at their discretion to pay removal allowance in the case of inter-force transfers. Regulation 4(b) provides for an increase in boot allowance payable to members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary from £9·750 to £12·480 per annum.