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## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal)  
Amendment Regulations 1974**

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| <i>Made</i>                   | - - - | 23rd May 1974  |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> |       | 10th June 1974 |
| <i>Coming into Operation</i>  |       | 1st July 1974  |

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of her powers under section 6(4) of, and paragraph 12(c) of Schedule 1 to, the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973(a) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, and after consultation with the Council on Tribunals in accordance with section 10 of the Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1971(b) hereby makes the following regulations:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 1974 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1974.

(2) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of regulations*

2. In regulation 7 of the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1974(d), there shall be substituted for the proviso, the following proviso:—

“Provided that no person shall be entitled in the capacity of counsel, solicitor or other paid advocate to conduct the case for any party by addressing the service committee or examining or cross-examining witnesses”.

*Barbara Castle,*  
Secretary of State for Social Services.

23rd May 1974.

(a) 1973 c. 32.  
(c) 1889 c. 63.

(b) 1971 c. 62.  
(d) S.I. 1974/455 (1974 I, p. 1511).

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations amend the limitation which was imposed by the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1974 on the right of a party to a service committee hearing to be assisted by a representative in the presentation of his case. In particular they restore the right of such a party to be represented by a barrister or solicitor who is acting without payment.

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