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The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 5(1), 8, 16, 17(4) and 57(2) of, and paragraph 4(1)(a)(i) of Schedule 2 to, the Registered Homes Act 1984(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:-

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.— (1) These regulations may be cited as the Residential Care Homes Regulations 1984 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1985.
 - (2) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Act" means the Registered Homes Act 1984;

"the 1980 Act" means the Residential Homes Act 1980(b);

"care authority", in relation to a child, means the local authority in whose care the child is under section 2 of the Child Care Act 1980(c) or by virtue of a care order or a warrant under section 23(1) of the Children and Young Persons Act 1969(d);

"care order" has the meaning assigned to it by section 20 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1969;

"child" means a resident under the age of 18 years and any resident who has attained that age and is the subject of a care order;

"fire authority", in relation to any home, means the authority discharging in the area in which the home is situated, the function of fire authority under the Fire Services Act 1947(e);

"home" means a residential care home;

"independent visitor" means a person appointed in pursuance of section 11(1) of the Child Care Act 1980 as a visitor to a child who is the subject of a care order;

"local social services authority" means a council which is a local authority for the purposes of the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970(f);

"mental handicap" means a state of arrested or incomplete development of mind which includes impairment of intelligence and social functioning;

"person registered" means any person registered in respect of the home;

"relevant date" means the date on which the Act and the repeal of the 1980 Act by Schedule 10 to the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983(g) came into force;

"resident" means any person in the home who is in need of personal care by reason of old age, disablement, past or present dependence on alcohol or drugs, or past or present mental disorder.

⁽a) 1984 c. 23. (b) 1980 c. 7. (c) 1980 c. 5. (d) 1969 c. 54. (e) 1947 c. 41.

⁽f) 1970 c. 42.

⁽g) 1983 c. 41.

Particulars to be supplied on application for registration

2. On any application for registration made under section 5 of the Act, the applicant shall supply in writing to the registration authority information in regard to the matters mentioned in Schedule 1 to these regulations, and such other information as the registration authority may reasonably require.

Registration fees

- 3.— (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation, the registration fee to accompany an application for registration made under section 5 of the Act shall be—
 - (a) in the case of an application in respect of the manager or intended manager of the home who is not the person in control of it (whether as owner or otherwise), £75;
 - (b) in the case of an application in respect of the person in control of the home, £100.
- (2) Where, by reason of a change of ownership in the home, an application for registration is made in respect of the person intended to take over control of the home, the registration fee shall, if there are no substantial changes to be made to the home, be £75.

Time limit for registration

4.—(1) Where—

- (a) immediately before the relevant date a person was not required to be registered under the 1980 Act in respect of an establishment; and
- (b) on that date he is required to be registered under Part I of the Act in respect of that establishment,

he shall within six months of that date apply to the registration authority for registration under that Part and until that application is determined he shall for the purposes of the Act be deemed to be registered under that Part in respect of that establishment.

(2) A person who immediately before the relevant date was registered under the 1980 Act in respect of an establishment and who on that date is required to be registered in respect of that establishment under Part I of the Act shall for the purposes of the Act and of these regulations be deemed to be registered under that Part in respect of that establishment.

Annual fee

5.—(1) The person in control of a home shall pay an annual fee, determined by reference to the maximum number of persons specified in the certificate of registration in accordance with section 5(3) of the Act, of an amount equal to £10 for each person and, subject to paragraph (2) of this regulation, that fee shall be payable within one month of the date on which the certificate of registration was issued and thereafter the fee shall be payable each year on or before the anniversary of the date on which that certificate was issued.

(2) A person who is deemed by virtue of regulation 4(2) of these regulations to be registered under Part I of the Act in respect of a home shall pay the annual fee within three months of the relevant date and thereafter the fee shall be payable each year on or before the anniversary of the date of that payment.

Records

- 6.— (1) The person registered shall compile the records specified in Schedule 2 to these regulations and shall keep them in the home at all times available for inspection by any person authorised in that behalf by the registration authority or, as the case may be, the Secretary of State.
- (2) The person registered shall keep in a safe place in the home the case record of each resident compiled in accordance with paragraph 4 or 5 of the said Schedule 2.
- (3) Any person who is deemed by virtue of regulation 4(2) of these regulations to be registered under Part I of the Act in respect of a home shall within three months of the relevant date compile the records specified in the said Schedule 2.
- (4) Every record compiled in accordance with this regulation shall be retained for a minimum of three years from the date of the last entry in it.

Registers

7. The registers kept by a registration authority for the purposes of Part I of the Act shall contain the particulars specified in Schedule 3 to these regulations.

Consultation with fire authority

8. The person registered shall, at such times as may be agreed with the fire authority, consult that authority on fire precautions in the home.

Conduct of homes

- 9.—(1) The person registered shall arrange for the home to be conducted so as to make proper provision for the welfare, care and, where appropriate, treatment and supervision of all residents.
- (2) In reaching any decision relating to a resident the person registered shall give first consideration to the need to safeguard and promote the welfare of the resident and shall, so far as practicable, ascertain the wishes and feelings of the resident and give due consideration to them as is reasonable having regard to the resident's age and understanding.
- (3) Every home shall be maintained on the basis of good personal and professional relationships between the person registered and persons employed at the home and the residents.

Provision of facilities and services

10.—(1) The person registered shall having regard to the size of the home and the number, age, sex and condition of residents—

- (a) employ by day and, where necessary, by night suitably qualified and competent staff in numbers which are adequate for the well being of residents;
- (b) provide for each resident such accommodation and space by day and by night as is reasonable;
- (c) provide adequate and suitable furniture, bedding, curtains, floor covering and, where necessary, equipment and screens in rooms occupied or used by residents;
- (d) provide for the use of residents a sufficient number of water closets, and of wash-basins, baths and showers fitted with a hot and cold water supply, and any necessary sluicing facilities;
- (e) make such adaptations and provide such facilities as are necessary for residents who are physically handicapped;
- (f) provide adequate light, heating and ventilation in all parts of the home occupied or used by residents;
- (g) keep all parts of the home occupied or used by residents in good structural repair, clean and reasonably decorated;
- (h) take adequate precautions against the risk of fire, including the provision of adequate means of escape in the event of fire, and make adequate arrangements for detecting, containing and extinguishing fires, for the giving of warnings and for the evacuation of all persons in the home in the event of fire and for the maintenance of fire precautions and fire fighting equipment;
- (i) make arrangements to secure by means of fire drills and practices that the staff in the home and, so far as practicable, residents know the procedure to be followed in the case of fire including the procedure for saving life;
- (j) take adequate precautions against the risk of accidents including the training of staff in first aid;
- (k) provide sufficient and suitable kitchen equipment, crockery and cutlery together with adequate facilities for the preparation and storage of food and, so far as may be reasonable and practicable in the circumstances, adequate facilities for residents to prepare their own food and refreshments;
- (1) supply suitable, varied and properly prepared wholesome and nutritious food in adequate quantities for residents;
- (m) make, after consultation with the local environmental health officer, suitable arrangements for maintaining satisfactory conditions of hygiene in the home;
- (n) arrange for regular laundering of linen and clothing and, so far as may be reasonable and practicable in the circumstances, provide adequate facilities for residents to do their own laundering;
- (o) make arrangements for any person authorised by the registration authority or, as the case may be, by the Secretary of State, to interview in private any resident;
- (p) make arrangements, where necessary, for residents to receive medical

- and dental services, whether under Part II of the National Health Service Act 1977(a), or otherwise;
- (q) make suitable arrangements for the recording, safekeeping, handling and disposal of drugs;
- (r) make suitable arrangements for the training, occupation and recreation of residents including the provision of play and educational facilities for children;
- (s) provide a place where the valuables of residents may be deposited for safekeeping.
- (2) The person registered shall arrange for the home to be connected to a public telephone service and shall, so far as may be reasonable and practicable in the circumstances, make arrangements for residents to communicate with others in private by post or telephone.

Visits by parents, guardians, etc.

- 11.— (1) The person registered shall provide suitable facilities for visits to the home by parents, guardians, friends or other visitors of any resident and by any officer of a local authority whose duty it is to supervise the welfare of that resident, but the use of such facilities, times of visiting and other arrangements connected with the visits shall be as the person registered may, after consultation with the registration authority, decide.
- (2) The person registered shall ensure that there are facilities in the home whereby residents may, if they so desire, communicate in private with their visitors.
- (3) The person registered shall keep affixed in a conspicuous place in the home a notice stating the times during which visits may be made and he shall, at the request of any person wishing to visit a resident, make available to that person details of such times.

Religious observance

12. The person registered shall ensure that every resident under the age of 18 years has so far as practicable in the circumstances the opportunity to attend such religious services and to receive such instruction as may be appropriate to the religious persuasion to which the resident belongs.

Notification of arrival of children

13. The person registered shall as soon as practicable notify the registration authority and the District Health Authority in whose district the home is situated of the date of arrival of each child in the home and the expected duration of his stay.

⁽a) 1977 c. 49.

Notification of death, illness, or accident

- 14.— (1) The person registered shall notify the registration authority not later than 24 hours from the time of its occurrence—
 - (a) of the death of any resident under the age of 70 and of the circumstances of his death;
 - (b) of the outbreak in the home of any infectious disease which in the opinion of any registered medical practitioner attending persons in the home is sufficiently serious to be so notified, or of any serious injury to or serious illness of any person residing in the home;
 - (c) of any unexplained absence of a child from the home;
 - (d) of any event in the home which affects the well-being of any resident; and
 - (e) of any theft, burglary, fire or accident in the home.
- (2) Where a child is in the home, the person registered shall not later than 24 hours from the time of the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraph (1)(a) to (d) of this regulation also notify the occurrence of that event to the following persons—
 - (a) his parent or guardian;
 - (b) if the child is in the care of a care authority not being the registration authority, that authority;
 - (c) if the child is the subject of a care order, his independent visitor (if any); and
 - (d) any person or organisation who or which has accepted responsibility wholly or partly for the cost of that child's maintenance in the home.
- (3) The person registered shall notify the Secretary of State not later than 24 hours from the time of its occurrence of the death of any child in the home and of the circumstances of his death.

Notice of absence

- 15.— (1) Subject to paragraph (5) of this regulation, where the person in control of the home or, as the case may be, the manager of it proposes to be absent from the home for a period of four weeks or more the person in control of the home shall give notice in writing to the registration authority of the proposed absence.
- (2) Except in the case of an emergency, the notice referred to in paragraph (1) above shall be given no later than one month before the proposed absence or within such shorter period as may be agreed with the registration authority and the notice shall specify—
 - (a) the length or expected length of the proposed absence;
 - (b) the reason for that absence;
 - (c) the arrangements which have been made for the running of the home during that absence; and
 - (d) the name, address and qualifications of the person who will be responsible for the home during that absence.

- (3) Where the absence arises as a result of an emergency, the person in control of the home shall give notice of the absence within one week of its occurrence and the notice shall specify the matters referred to in subparagraphs (a) to (d) of paragraph (2) of this regulation.
- (4) The person in control of the home shall notify the registration authority in writing of his return or, as the case may be, the return of the manager of the home within one week of that return.
- (5) The provisions of this regulation shall not apply where it is not proposed to accommodate any resident in the home during the absence of the person in control or, as the case may be, the manager of the home.

Notice of termination of accommodation

- 16.— (1) The person registered shall, before terminating any arrangements for the accommodation of a child, give his parent or guardian or, as the case may be, his care authority reasonable notice of his intention to terminate those arrangements.
- (2) Where arrangements for the accommodation of a resident are terminated the person registered shall notify the person who appears to him to be the resident's next of kin and, where the resident is under the supervision of an officer of a local social services authority, the person registered shall also notify that officer.

Information for residents as to method of making complaints

- 17.— (1) The person registered shall inform every resident in writing of the person to whom and the manner in which any request or complaint relating to the home may be made and the person registered shall ensure that any complaint so made by a resident or a person acting on his behalf is fully investigated.
- (2) The person registered shall also inform every resident in writing of the name and address of the registration authority to which complaints in respect of the home may be made by a resident or a person acting on his behalf.

Inspection of homes

- 18.—(1) The registration authority may inspect any home on such occasions and at such intervals as it may decide but shall in any case do so not less than once in every period of 12 months.
- (2) The person registered shall furnish to any person authorised in that behalf by the Secretary of State or, as the case may be, by the registration authority such information relating to the conduct of the home as the person authorised may reasonably require.

Visits by person in control of the home

19.—(1) Where the person in control of the home is not also the manager of the home he shall at least once in every month visit the home or arrange for

another person to visit the home on his behalf and to report in writing to him on the conduct of the home.

(2) Where the person in control of the home is a company, society, association or other body or firm, the directors or other persons responsible for the management of the body or the partners of the firm shall arrange for one or more of their number to visit the home at least once in every month and to report in writing to them on the conduct of the home.

Offences

- 20.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this regulation, where the registration authority consider that the person registered has contravened or failed to comply with regulation 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 or 19 of these regulations, the authority may serve a notice on the person registered specifying—
 - (a) in what respect in their opinion the person registered has failed or is failing to comply with the requirements of that regulation;
 - (b) what action, in the opinion of the registration authority, the person registered should take so as to comply with that regulation; and
 - (c) the period, not being less than three months, within which the person registered should take action.
- (2) Where notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (1) of this regulation and the period specified in the notice, beginning with the date of the notice, has expired, the person registered who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of these regulations mentioned in the notice shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations.
- (3) The provisions of this regulation shall not apply where the registration authority has applied to a justice of the peace for an order under section 11 of the Act or while such an order is in force.

Form and service of notices

- 21.—(1) Any notice which is required under these regulations to be given to any person shall be in writing and may be served on him by being delivered personally to him or by being sent by post to him in a registered letter or by the recorded delivery service.
- (2) For the purposes of section 7 of the Interpretation Act 1978(a) (which defines "service by post") a letter to a person registered enclosing a notice under regulation 20 of these regulations shall be deemed to be properly addressed if it is addressed to him at the home.

Compliance with regulations

22. Where there is more than one person registered in respect of a home, anything which is required under the foregoing provisions of these regulations to be done by the person registered in respect of the home shall, if done by one

of the persons so registered, not be required to be done by any other person registered in respect of the home.

Appeals

- 23. Where a person aggrieved by an order made under section 3 of the 1980 Act before the relevant date—
 - (a) had appealed before that date to a magistrates' court under section 4 thereof and that appeal has not been determined by that date the provisions of the 1980 Act shall, notwithstanding the repeal thereof, continue to have effect for the purposes of the determination of that appeal;
 - (b) desires to appeal against the order after that date but within the period of 21 days from the date on which the copy of that order was served upon him, the appeal shall lie to a Registered Homes Tribunal and the provisions of Part III of the Act shall apply for the purposes of the determination of that appeal as if the appeal were an appeal under Part I of that Act.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

Glenarthur,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health and Social Security.

22nd August 1984.

Information to be Supplied on an Application for Registration

- 1. Where the application for registration is made by the manager or intended manger of the home and he is not the person in control of it (whether as owner or otherwise) he shall supply in writing to the registration authority the following information—
 - (a) his full name, date of birth, address and telephone number (if any);
 - (b) details of his professional or technical qualifications and experience (if any) of running a home;
 - (c) the names and addresses of his previous employers and of two referees;
 - (d) the name, address and telephone number of the home in respect of which registration is required; and
 - (e) if the registration authority so requests, a report by a registered medical practitioner on the state of the applicant's health.
- 2. Where the application for registration is made by the person in control of the home—
 - (a) that person shall, in a case other than one specified in sub-paragraph(b) of this paragraph, supply to the registration authority the following information—
 - (i) his full name, date of birth, address and telephone number (if any),
 - (ii) details of his professional or technical qualifications and experience (if any) of running a home,
 - (iii) the names and addresses of his previous employers and of two referees,
 - (iv) the name, address and telephone number of the home in respect of which registration is required, and
 - (v) if the registration authority so requests, a report by a registered medical practitioner on the state of the applicant's health;
 - (b) that person shall, in the case of a company, society, association or other body or firm supply to the registration authority the following information—
 - (i) the address of the registered office or principal office of the body or firm and the full names, dates of birth and addresses of the chairman and secretary of the company, or other persons responsible for the management of the body or the partners of the firm, and
 - (ii) if the registration authority so requests, details of their professional or technical qualifications and experience (if any) of running a home.
- 3. An applicant to whom paragraph 2 of this Schedule applies shall also supply to the registration authority the following information—
 - (a) the name, address and telephone number of the home in respect of which registration is required;

- (b) the address of any other home or of any nursing home or mental nursing home within the meaning of Part II of the Act or any voluntary home within the meaning of the Child Care Act 1980(a), or any children's home within the meaning of the Children's Homes Act 1982(b) in which the applicant has or had a business interest, and the nature and extent of his interest;
- (c) the situation of the home and its form of construction and, where requested by the registration authority, details of any comments made by the local fire authority or local environmental health authority;
- (d) the accommodation available for residents and for persons employed at the home;
- (e) the date on which the home was established or is to be established;
- (f) whether any other business is or will be carried out in the same premises as the home and whether the home is also required to be registered under Part II of the Act;
- (g) the number, sex and categories of residents for whom the home is proposed to be used indicating the various categories by reference to the following code-

old age	I
mental disorder, other than mental handicap, past or present	MP
mental handicap	MH
alcohol dependence, past or present	Α
drug dependence, past or present	D
physical disablement	PH
add if the resident is—	
(i) over 65 years of age	E
(ii) a child	C;

- (h) the full names, dates of birth, qualifications and experience (if any) of persons employed, or proposed to be employed, in the management of the home (apart from a person to whom paragraph 1 of this Schedule applies) and whether they reside or are to reside in the home;
- (i) the number, sex, position and relevant qualifications of staff, excluding any teaching staff and those referred to in sub-paragraph (h) of this paragraph, employed or proposed to be employed at the home distinguishing between resident staff and non-resident staff and those employed on a full-time and part-time basis and indicating the number of hours per week for which it is intended to employ part-time staff;
- (j) a statement of the aims and objectives of the home, of the care and attention to be provided in the home and of any arrangements for the supervision of residents;

⁽a) 1980 c. 5. (b) 1982 c. 20.

- (k) details of the equipment, facilities and services to be provided in the home and of any special arrangements made or other services available for any particular category of residents;
- (1) the arrangements made or proposed to be made for medical and dental supervision and treatment and for nursing care in cases of minor ailments;
- (m) the arrangements for the handling and administration of medicines;
- (n) details of the scale of charges payable by residents.

SCHEDULE 2

RECORDS TO BE KEPT IN A HOME

The records to be kept under the provisions of paragraph (1) of regulation 6 of these regulations shall be—

- 1. A copy of the statement of the aims and objectives of the home, of the care and attention to be provided in the home and of any arrangements for the supervision of residents, which statement has in accordance with paragraph 3(j) of Schedule 1 to these regulations been supplied to the registration authority and has been agreed with that authority.
- 2. A daily register of all residents (excluding persons registered or persons employed at the home and their relatives) which register shall, where applicable, include in respect of each resident, the following particulars—
 - (a) the name, address, date of birth and marital status of the resident and whether he is the subject of any court order or other process;
 - (b) the name, address and telephone number of the resident's next of kin or of any person authorised to act on his behalf;
 - (c) the name, address and telephone number of the resident's registered medical practitioner and of any officer of a local social services authority whose duty it is to supervise the welfare of that person;
 - (d) the date on which the resident entered the home;
 - (e) the date on which the resident left the home;
 - (f) if the resident is transferred to a hospital or nursing home, the date of, and reasons for, the transfer and the name of the hospital or nursing home to which the resident is transferred;
 - (g) if the resident died in the home, the date, time and cause of death;
 - (h) if the resident is a child in the care of a care authority, the name, address and telephone number of the care authority, of any officer of the authority whose duty it is to supervise the welfare of the child and of the child's independent visitor (if any);
 - (i) if the resident is an adult who is subject to the guardianship of a local social services authority, the name, address and telephone number of that authority and of any officer of the authority whose duty it is to supervise the welfare of that resident;
 - (j) 'the name, and address of any authority, organisation or other body which arranged the resident's admission to the home;
 - (k) if the resident is a child, the name of any school which he is attending or any other place where he may be receiving education or vocational training.
- 3. In homes accommodating children—
 - (a) a statement of the sanctions used in the home to control bad behaviour and a book in which shall be entered a record of any sanction administered to a child and the name of that child;
 - (b) a register in which shall be entered the date on which each child's arrival was notified to the district health authority in whose district the

home is situated and, except where the home is an independent school within the meaning of the Education Act 1944(a), to the local education authority for that district.

- 4. A case record in respect of each resident which shall include details of any special needs of that resident, any medical treatment required by him including details of any medicines administered to him, and any other information in relation to him as may be appropriate including details of any periodic review of his welfare, health, conduct and progress; and, in the case of a child who is the subject of a care order, such details of any review by the care authority as may have been notified by that authority to the person registered.
- 5. A record in respect of each child who has special educational needs within the meaning of section 1 of the Education Act 1981(b) and of the special educational provision within the meaning of that section which is being made in relation to him.
- 6. A record of all medicines kept in the home for a resident and of their disposal when no longer required.
- 7. A record book in which shall be recorded the dates of any visits by persons authorised to inspect the home and the occurrence of any event to which regulation 14(1) of these regulations refers.
- 8. Records of the food provided for residents in sufficient detail to enable any person inspecting the record to judge whether the diet is satisfactory and of any special diets prepared for particular residents.
- 9. A record of every fire practice, drill or fire alarm test conducted in the home and of any action taken to remedy defects in fire alarm equipment.
 - 10. A statement of the procedure to be followed in the event of fire
- 11. A statement of the procedure to be followed in the event of accidents or in the event of a resident becoming missing.
- 12. A record of each person employed at the home to provide personal care for residents, which record shall include that person's full name, date of birth, qualifications, experience and details of his position and dates of employment at the home and the number of hours for which that person is employed each week
- 13. A record of any relatives of the registered person or of persons employed at the home who are residents.
- 14. A statement of facilities provided in the home for residents and of the arrangements made for visits by their parents, guardians, friends and other visitors.
- 15. A copy of any report made in accordance with the provisions of regulation 19(2) of these regulations.

⁽a) 1944 c. 31.

⁽b) 1981 c. 60.

- 16. A record of the scale of charges from time to time applicable including any extras for additional services not covered by that scale and of the amounts paid by or in respect of each resident.
- 17. A record of all money or other valuables deposited by a resident for safekeeping specifying the date on which such money or valuables were deposited and the date on which any sum or other valuable was returned to a resident or used, at the request of the resident, on his behalf and the purpose for which it was used.

PARTICULARS TO BE RECORDED IN THE REGISTERS KEPT BY REGISTRATION AUTHORITIES

- 1. The full name and address of the person registered in respect of the home and, where both the manager and person in control of the home are registered in respect of it, their full names and addresses.
- 2. Where the person registered is a company, society, association or other body or firm the address of its registered office or principal office and the full names and addresses of the directors, or other persons responsible for the management of that body or the partners of the firm.
 - 3. The name, address and telephone number of the home.
- 4. The number, sex and categories of residents (excluding persons registered or persons employed at the home and their relatives) indicating the various categories by reference to the following code:—

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old age mental disorder, other than mental	I
handicap, past or present	MP
mental handicap	MH
alcohol dependence, past or present	A
drug dependence, past or present	D
physical disablement	PH
add, if the resident is—	
(i) over 65 years of age	E
(ii) a child	C.

- 5. The date of registration and of the issue of the certificate of registration and, where applicable, the date of any cancellation of registration.
- 6. The details of any conditions imposed on registration and of any addition to those conditions or variation thereof.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations make provision in relation to the registration of persons in respect of, and the conduct of, residential care homes under Part I of the Registered Homes Act 1984 (the Act).

They prescribe the particulars to be supplied on an application for registration (regulation 2); the amount of the registration fee to accompany such an application (regulation 3); the time within which persons, who on the commencement of the Act require registration but did not hitherto, may register (regulation 4); and the amount of the fee payable annually in respect of such homes (regulation 5). The regulations provide for the compilation and the maintenance of records by the person registered in respect of the home (regulation 6); prescribe the particulars to be recorded in registers kept by the registration authority for the purposes of the Act (regulation 7); and require the person registered to consult the fire authority on precautions in the home (regulation 8).

In addition, the regulations make provision for the conduct of homes (regulation 9); the facilities and services to be provided therein (regulation 10); the provision of suitable facilities for visits to the home by parents, friends etc. of residents (regulation 11); the giving of certain notices by the person registered (regulations 13 to 16); and the form of and service of such notices (regulation 21). They also make provision for the registration authority to inspect the home at least once a year (regulation 18); and for monthly visits to the home by the person in control of it (regulation 19). They require the person registered to ensure that there is adequate opportunity for residents under the age of 18 to attend religious services (regulation 12); and to inform every resident of the method of making complaints relating to the home (regulation 17).

The regulations also provide for the contravention of certain regulations to be an offence (regulation 20); and for compliance with the regulations by one person registered in respect of the home to be deemed to be sufficient compliance by any other person so registered (regulation 22). Finally, they make transitional provision with respect to the determination of appeals under the legislation hitherto in force (regulation 23).

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