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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1989 No. 895**

**POLICE**

**The Police (Amendment) Regulations 1989**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>24th May 1989</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st July 1989</i>

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 33 of the Police Act 1964<sup>(1)</sup>, and after taking into consideration the recommendations made by the Police Negotiating Board for the United Kingdom and furnishing the said Board with a draft of the Regulations in accordance with section 2(1) of the Police Negotiating Board Act 1980<sup>(2)</sup>, I hereby make the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Police (Amendment) Regulations 1989.
2. These Regulations shall come into force on 1st July 1989 and shall have effect for the purposes of regulation 3(4) as from 1st July 1987.
- 3.—(1) The Police Regulations 1987<sup>(3)</sup> shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of this regulation.  
(2) In regulation 34 (sick leave), there shall be substituted for proviso (b) to paragraph (1) the following proviso—

“(b) if, notwithstanding such certificate of unfitness for duty, a registered medical practitioner appointed or approved by the police authority has examined the member and considers him to be fit for duty, the police authority shall, if the medical practitioner who issued the certificate of unfitness for duty agrees, within 28 days of the difference of opinion coming to their attention arrange for a third registered medical practitioner to examine the member and to report in writing to the other two practitioners concerned; the third registered practitioner shall be acceptable to the practitioner who issued the certificate of unfitness for duty and to the practitioner who has examined the member on behalf of the police authority, except that in the event of a failure to agree, the police authority may appoint such third medical practitioner as it considers appropriate; and if the third registered medical practitioner certifies the member to be fit for duty, or if the medical practitioner who issued the certificate of unfitness for duty does not agree to such further examination, the member shall no longer be entitled to be absent from duty.”

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(1) 1964 c. 48.

(2) 1980 c. 10.

(3) S.I.1987/851; the relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1987/1753, 1988/1821, 2162.

(3) In regulation 47 (restriction on payment of allowances), there shall be inserted at the beginning of paragraph (2) the words“Subject to paragraph (3),” and there shall be inserted after paragraph (2) the following paragraph–

“(3) A member of a police force of the rank of superintendent or above who is required to travel by train in the execution of his duty shall be entitled to travel in first-class accommodation and to be reimbursed his expenses accordingly.”.

(4) In paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 4(4) (university scholars) there shall be substituted for the words“£945 a year” the words“£1,017 a year in respect of the period from 1st July 1987 to 30th June 1988 and £1,089 a year with effect from 1st July 1988”.

(5) In Schedule 5 (scales of pay)–

(a) there shall be inserted after paragraph 1(9) the following sub-paragraph–

“(9A) Where a member is promoted–

- (a) to the rank of chief inspector after 3 years but less than 4 years service in the rank of inspector, or
- (b) to the rank of inspector after 3 years but less than 4 years service in the rank of sergeant, or
- (c) to the rank of sergeant after 11 years but less than 12 years service in the rank of constable,

and at any date during his first year of service in that new rank his annual pay ceases to exceed the amount which would have been his annual pay if he had continued to serve in his former rank, his annual pay for the period from that date until such date as he has completed two years reckonable service in his new rank shall be determined as if he had throughout that period more than one but less than two years' reckonable service in the new rank.”; and

(b) in paragraph 1(10) there shall be substituted for the words“(7) to (9)” the words“(7) to (9A)”.

Home Office  
24th May 1989

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Police Regulations 1987. Regulation 3(2) provides a procedure for the resolution of a difference of medical opinion as to an officer's fitness to return to duty after a period of sick leave. Regulation 3(3) provides for officers of the rank of superintendent and above to be reimbursed the cost of first-class rail travel on duty. Regulation 3(4) increases London weighting for university scholars with effect from 1st July 1987 and again from 1st July 1988 (retrospection is authorised by section 33(4) of the Police Act 1964). Regulation 3(5) corrects a minor anomaly to ensure that officers who are promoted gain financially thereby.