## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision concerning the membership and procedure of NHS trusts established under section 12A of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, as inserted by section 31 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990.

The Regulations, which come into force on 1st April 1991 contain in Part II provisions relating to the number, appointment, qualifications and description of directors and joint directorships (regulations 2 to 4), the tenure of office of directors and the termination of tenure of office and eligibility for re-appointment (regulations 5 to 7) and for disqualification for appointment as director and cessation of disqualification (regulations 8 and 9).

In Part III provisions are included relating to vice-chairmen (regulation 10), the appointment of and the exercise of functions by committees and sub-committees (regulations 11 and 12), meetings and proceedings of the board of directors and committees and sub-committees of a trust (regulation 13 and the Schedule), provisions in relation to disability for taking part in proceedings on account of conflicts of interest (regulation 14) and provisions in relation to the execution of documents by a trust.

Part IV contains provisions in relation to the holding annually of a public meeting at which are to be presented the audited accounts and annual report of a trust.