
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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FIRE SERVICES

**The Fire Services (Appointments and
Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1993**

Made - - - - 26th November 1993
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In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 18(1) of the Fire Services Act 1947⁽¹⁾, I hereby, after consultation with the Central Fire Brigades Advisory Council, make the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1993 and shall come into force on 1st January 1994.

2. The Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations 1978⁽²⁾ (hereafter in these Regulations referred to as “the 1978 Regulations”) shall be amended as follows—

- (a) for the provisions contained in Part II of Schedule 1 (practical examination for promotion to the rank of leading firefighter) there shall be substituted the provisions set out in Part I of the Schedule to these Regulations, and
- (b) for the provisions contained in Part II of Schedule 2 (practical examination for promotion to the rank of sub-officer) there shall be substituted the provisions set out in Part II of the Schedule to these Regulations.

3. For the purposes of regulation 6(6)(a) of the 1978 Regulations (ineligibility to enter examination on account of entry for, but non-attendance at, that examination in the previous year), as regards eligibility to enter for a practical examination before 1st January 1995, the reference to the examination in question shall be taken to include a reference to the corresponding practical examination under Schedule 1 or 2, as the case may be, for which the member entered before 1st January 1994.

(1) 1947 c. 41 as amended by the Fire Services Act 1959 (c. 44).

(2) S.I.1978/436; the relevant amending instruments are S.I.1985/1176; 1991/369; 1992/182; and 1992/2365.

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Michael Howard
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State

SCHEDULE

PART I

PRACTICAL EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF LEADING FIREFIGHTER

“Practical Examination

- (a) A practical test of ability to conduct a standard drill from the Fire Service Drill Book, including the ability to give detailed instructions to, and monitor the performance of, a crew undertaking such a drill;
- (b) An exercise in fireground procedure and control; and
- (c) A practical test of knowledge of an item of fire service equipment, including its design, use, disadvantages and limitations, and of the ability to instruct others on such matters.”

PART II

PRACTICAL EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF SUB-OFFICER

“Practical Examination

- (a) A practical test of ability to organise and conduct a composite drill, that is to say a drill which achieves the objectives of two or more standard drills from the Fire Service Drill Book, including the ability to give detailed instructions to, and monitor the performance of, two crews undertaking such a drill;
- (b) An exercise in fireground procedure and control; and
- (c) A practical test of ability to assess the operational difficulties associated with a specific risk in the area of the candidate’s brigade, produce a plan to deal effectively with the risk, and communicate such assessment and plan in an instructional talk to others.”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which come into force on 1st January 1994, introduce revised practical examinations (set out in the Schedule to these Regulations) for promotion in a fire brigade to the ranks of leading firefighter and sub-officer save that, in the latter case, the reference to an exercise in fireground procedure and control (set out in paragraph (b) in Part II of the Schedule) remains unaltered. The Regulations also make a transitional provision with regard to provisions (governing eligibility to enter a practical examination) which operate by reference to non-attendance at the examination in question in the previous year.

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