

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules)

These Rules amend the Young Offender Institution Rules 1988 as amended in three respects.

Firstly, the Rules substitute a new rule for rule 14 dealing with legal correspondence. The rule now applies to all correspondence between an inmate and his legal adviser or a court, whether or not legal proceedings have been commenced and sets out the circumstances in which such correspondence may be opened, read or stopped.

Secondly, the Rules increase the maximum period for which a governor may impose a punishment of cellular confinement on an inmate under 21 years of age from 3 to 7 days.

Thirdly, the Rules increase the maximum period for which a governor may impose a punishment of cellular confinement on a woman prisoner of 21 years of age or over from 3 to 14 days.