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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations further amend the Police Regulations 1987 (“the principal Regulations”) and revoke a large number of provisions relating to housing payments and other miscellaneous allowances.

The effect of regulations 2 to 5, 6(a) and 7(a) is that inspectors and chief inspectors cease to work fixed hours in accordance with a duty roster, and accordingly cease to be entitled to extra payments for overtime, and for working on public holidays and rest days although they remain in principle free from duty on such days (see the new regulation 29A inserted into the principal Regulations by regulation 8).

Regulation 6(b) reduces the length of unplanned overtime counting towards the overtime allowance payable to sergeants and constables; regulation 7(b) to (g) reduces the notice threshold for payment of rest day working allowance from 28 to 14 days, removes the additional entitlement to an extra rest day (but increases the time off that may be taken in lieu of the allowance) where there was less than 8 days' notice, and reduces the length at which a short period worked on a rest day counts if it is continuous with normal duty.

The changes made by regulations 2 to 8 are taken into the conditions for part time service (in the principal Regulations as modified by Schedule 1A) by regulation 12, except that as a transitional measure part time inspectors and chief inspectors in post immediately before the commencement of these Regulations (who would otherwise immediately have had to find a job-sharer or start working full time) continue to work fostered hours and to be entitled to overtime, public holiday and rest day payments: see regulation 15 and Part I of the Schedule.

Regulation 9 inserts into the principal Regulations a new regulation 43A which introduces restrictions on entitlement to pay while on sick leave.

The amendment made by regulation 10 is consequential upon the revocation of provisions about housing payments.

Regulation 11 makes medical charges reimbursable only if they arise from an injury received on duty, a restriction which previously applied only to officers first appointed after 30th November 1991.

Regulation 13 is consequential upon regulation 7(g).

Regulation 14 revokes over 20 provisions relating to allowances of various kinds, including payments in respect of housing where it was not provided free of rent.

For officers actually or potentially entitled to housing or housing payments immediately before the commencement of these Regulations whose service thereafter is uninterrupted, or is interrupted only by central or overseas service or unpaid leave, equivalent entitlements to “replacement allowances” are provided by paragraphs 1 to 7 of Part II of the Schedule (given effect by regulation 15). Paragraph 8 preserves for such officers the possibility of limited reimbursement of removal expenses in respect of a period extending beyond the first 26 weeks following a move.