STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 643

The Police (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2004

Manner in which duties to provide information are to be performed

- 11.—(1) For the purposes of sections 20(5) and 21(10) of the 2002 Act (duties to keep complainant and other persons informed), the manner in which the Commission or, as the case may be, an appropriate authority shall perform the duties imposed by those sections are as follows.
- (2) The Commission, in a case falling within section 20(1) or 21(6) of the 2002 Act (investigation of a complaint or conduct matter by or under the management of the Commission), shall inform the complainant or, as the case may be, the interested party—
 - (a) of the progress of the investigation promptly and in any event—
 - (i) if there has been no previous notification, within four weeks of the start of the investigation; and
 - (ii) in any other case, within four weeks of the previous notification;
 - (b) of any provisional findings of the person carrying out the investigation as frequently as the Commission determines to be appropriate in order for the complainant to be kept properly informed.
- (3) An appropriate authority, in a case falling within section 20(2) or 21(7) of the 2002 Act (investigation of a complaint or conduct matter by an appropriate authority), shall inform the complainant or the interested party (as the case may be)—
 - (a) of the progress of the investigation promptly and in any event—
 - (i) if there has been no previous notification, within four weeks of the start of the investigation; and
 - (ii) in any other case, within four weeks of the previous notification.
 - (b) of any provisional findings of the person carrying out the investigation as frequently as the appropriate authority determine to be appropriate in order for the complainant to be kept properly informed.
- (4) When an investigation has been completed, each complainant and interested person shall be notified—
 - (a) of the date on which the final report under paragraph 22 of Schedule 3 to the 2002 Act is likely to be submitted;
 - (b) of the date on which the notification under paragraph 23(9) or 24(7) of that Schedule is likely to be given.
- (5) In performing the duties imposed by section 20(1) and (2) and section 21(6) and (7) of the 2002 Act, and by paragraphs 23(9) and 24(7) of Schedule 3 to that Act, the Commission or, as the case may be, the appropriate authority shall determine whether it is appropriate to offer, or to accede to a request for, a meeting with a complainant or, as the case may be, an interested person.
- (6) As soon as practicable after any such meeting the Commission or, as the case may be, the appropriate authority shall send to the complainant or interested person a written record of the meeting and an account of how any concerns of that person will be addressed.

- (7) As soon as practicable after any misconduct hearing or other action that is taken in respect of the matters dealt with in any report submitted under paragraph 22 of Schedule 3 to the 2002 Act, the Commission or, as the case may be, an appropriate authority shall notify any complainant and interested person of the outcome of that hearing or action, including the fact and outcome of any appeal against the findings of or sanctions imposed by such a hearing.
- (8) Subject to paragraphs (5) and (9) any notification under this regulation shall be made in writing.
- (9) If the Commission or, as the case may be, the appropriate authority, considers that an investigation has made minimal or no progress since the previous notification, then the next notification may be made by any means that in the opinion of the Commission or, as the case may be, the appropriate authority is suitable.