STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 1185

The General Ophthalmic Services Contracts Regulations 2008

PART 2

Contractors

Appeals and contract disqualifications

- **6.**—(1) A person who has been served with a notice under regulation 5(1) may appeal to the FHSAA against the decision of the PCT that the conditions in regulation 4 are not met, by giving notice to the FHSAA within the period of 28 days, beginning on the day that the PCT served its notice.
- (2) A PCT, which has given notice under regulation 5(1) may, if it considers that that person should be disqualified from entering into a contract, apply to the FHSAA for a contract disqualification order in relation to that person.
- (3) The FHSAA, in a case where a person has appealed under paragraph (1) may, of its own motion, make application to itself for a contract disqualification order in relation to that appellant.
- (4) In a case to which paragraph (2) or (3) applies, the FHSAA may make a contract disqualification if it considers it right to do so in all the circumstances of the case.
- (5) Subject to paragraph (7), where the FHSAA has made a contract disqualification order, the person in respect of whom it has been made may, not less than 3 years after the making of the order, apply to the FHSAA for a review of that order and, on such an application, the FHSAA shall either confirm that order or specify a date on which that order shall cease to have effect.
- (6) Subject to paragraph (7), in any case where the FHSAA has confirmed an order under paragraph (5) or this paragraph, the person in respect of whom a contract disqualification order was confirmed may, not less than 3 years after the making of the order, apply to the FHSAA for a review of that order and, on such an application, the FHSAA shall either confirm that order or specify a date on which that order shall cease to have effect.
- (7) The FHSAA may, when making or confirming an order under paragraph (5) or (6), determine that instead of the period of 3 years specified in those paragraphs, the period for a review shall be such period, of not less than 1 year or more than 5, as the FHSAA may decide.