STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Police (Performance) Regulations 2008

PART 3

First stage

Procedure at first stage meeting

- **14.**—(1) The following provisions of this regulation apply to the procedure to be followed at the first stage meeting.
 - (2) The meeting shall be conducted by the line manager.
- (3) A human resources professional or a police officer may attend the meeting to advise the line manager on the proceedings.
- (4) Any other person specified in the notice referred to in regulation 13(1) may attend the meeting if the officer concerned consents to such attendance.
 - (5) The line manager shall—
 - (a) explain to the officer concerned the reasons why the line manager considers that the performance or attendance of the officer concerned is unsatisfactory;
 - (b) provide the officer concerned with an opportunity to make representations in response;
 - (c) provide his police friend (if he has one) with an opportunity to address the meeting in accordance with regulation 8(3)(a).
- (6) If, after considering any representations made in accordance with paragraph (5)(b) or (c), the line manager finds that the performance or attendance of the officer concerned has been unsatisfactory, he shall—
 - (a) inform the officer concerned in what respect his performance or attendance is considered unsatisfactory;
 - (b) inform the officer concerned of the improvement that is required in his performance or attendance;
 - (c) inform the officer concerned that, if a sufficient improvement is not made within such reasonable period as the line manager shall specify (being a period not greater than 12 months), he may be required to attend a second stage meeting in accordance with regulation 19 and the line manager shall specify the date on which this period ends;
 - (d) inform the officer concerned that he will receive a written improvement notice; and
 - (e) inform the officer concerned that if the sufficient improvement referred to in sub-paragraph (c) is not maintained during any part of the validity period of such notice remaining after the expiry of the period specified in accordance with sub-paragraph (c), he may be required to attend a second stage meeting in accordance with regulation 19.
- (7) The line manager may, if he considers it appropriate, recommend that the officer concerned seeks assistance in relation to any matter affecting his health or welfare.

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(8) The line manager may postpone or adjourn the meeting to a specified later time or date if it appears to him necessary or expedient to do so.