STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2025 No. 34

FAIR EMPLOYMENT

The Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2025

Made - - - -	*19th February 2025*
Coming into operation	*31st March 2025*

The Executive Office (**a**) makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 50 and 51 of the Fair Employment and Treatment (Northern Ireland) Order 1998(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2025 and shall come into operation on 31st March 2025.

Amendment of the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) Order (Northern Ireland) 2004

2. For the Schedule to the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) Order (Northern Ireland) 2004(**d**) substitute the Schedule set out in the Schedule to this Order.

Revocation

3. The Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023**(e)** is revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Executive Office on 19th of February 2025.

(L.S.)

Richard Irwin
A senior officer of the Executive Office

(**a**) Formerly the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister; see section 1(1) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (2016 c.5 (N.I.).
(**b**) S.I. 1998/3162 (N.I.21)
(**c**) S.R. 1999 No. 481; Article 4(a) and Schedule 2, Part I
(**d**) S.R. 2004 No. 494; to which the most recent amending Order is SR 2023 No. 197
(**e**) S.R. 2023 No.197

SCHEDULE

Article 2

“SCHEDULE

Articles 3 and 4

PART 1

PUBLIC AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLES 52 TO 65 OF THE 1998 ORDER

Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute

Arts Council of Northern Ireland

Belfast Harbour Commissioners

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust

The Big Lottery Fund

Board of Trustees of the National Museums and Galleries of Northern Ireland

British Broadcasting Corporation

Charity Commission for Northern Ireland

Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland

Chief Inspector of Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland

Children’s Court Guardian Agency for Northern Ireland

Citybus Limited

Coleraine Harbour Commissioners

Commission for Victims and Survivors for Northern Ireland

Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland

Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland

Commissioner for Survivors of Institutional Childhood Abuse

Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland

Construction Industry Training Board

Council for Catholic Maintained Schools

Any District Council

The Education Authority

Equality Commission for Northern Ireland

Foyle, Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission

General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland

General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland

The Governing Body of Belfast Metropolitan College

The Governing Body of North West Regional College

The Governing Body of Northern Regional College

The Governing Body of South Eastern Regional College

The Governing Body of South West College

The Governing Body of Southern Regional College

The Governing Body of Stranmillis University College, Belfast

Governors of the Armagh Observatory and Planetarium

Health and Social Care Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority

Historical Institutional Abuse Redress Board

The Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery

Information Commissioner's Office

Invest Northern Ireland

Labour Relations Agency

Livestock and Meat Commission for Northern Ireland

Local Government Staff Commission for Northern Ireland

Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners

Middletown Centre for Autism Limited

The National Heritage Memorial Fund

The North/South Language Body

Northern Health and Social Care Trust

Northern Ireland Ambulance Service Health and Social Care Trust

Northern Ireland Assembly Commission

Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion Service (Special Agency)

Northern Ireland Community Relations Council

Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment

Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service Board

Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission

Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission

Northern Ireland Library Authority

Northern Ireland Local Government Officers' Superannuation Committee

Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency

Northern Ireland Museums Council

Northern Ireland Policing Board

Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery

Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman

Northern Ireland Railways Company Limited

Northern Ireland Screen Commission

Northern Ireland Social Care Council

Northern Ireland Tourist Board

Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company

Northern Ireland Water Alpha Limited

Northern Ireland Water Limited

Office of Communications

Patient and Client Council

The Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland

Police Rehabilitation and Retraining Trust

Probation Board for Northern Ireland

Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-being

Regional Business Services Organisation

Royal Mail Group Limited

South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

Southern Health and Social Care Trust

The Special EU Programmes Body

Sports Council for Northern Ireland

State Pathologist's Department

Strategic Investment Board Limited

Tourism Ireland Limited

The Trade and Business Development Body

Ulster Supported Employment Limited

Ulsterbus Limited

Victims and Survivors Service Limited

Warrenpoint Harbour Authority

Waterways Ireland

Western Health and Social Care Trust

Youth Council for Northern Ireland

PART II

PUBLIC AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLES 62 TO 65 OF THE 1998 ORDER

The Secretary of State

Any Northern Ireland Department

Any Northern Ireland Minister

Commissioners for His Majesty's Revenue and Customs

The Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland

The Controller of His Majesty's Stationery Office

The Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland

Director of Savings

Food Standards Agency

Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) Order (Northern Ireland) 2004 ("the 2004 Order") which specifies a number of persons or bodies as public authorities for certain purposes under Part VII of the Fair Employment and Treatment (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 ("the 1998 Order").

The Schedule to the 2004 Order lists in Part I the bodies who are public authorities for the purposes of Articles 52 to 65 of the 1998 Order and in Part II the bodies who are public authorities for the purposes of Articles 62 to 65 of the 1998 Order.

Article 2 of this Order substitutes a new Schedule to the 2004 Order.

The following bodies have been added to Part I of the Schedule:

Commissioner for Survivors of Institutional Childhood Abuse

Historical Institutional Abuse Redress Board

The Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery

Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation

The following amendments have been made to Part I of the Schedule:

Northern Ireland Guardian Ad Litem Agency

has been amended to:

Children's Court Guardian Agency for Northern Ireland

The following deletions have been made to Part I of the Schedule:

Dalriada Water Ltd

NI Water Clear Ltd

The following deletions have been made to Part II of the Schedule:

The Lord Chancellor

Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation

Article 3 revokes the Fair Employment (Specification of Public Authorities) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2023.

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