STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 1689

FIRE SERVICES

The Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1967

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In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 18(1) of the Fire Services Act 1947(a), as amended by the Fire Services Act 1959(b), I hereby, after consultation with the Central Fire Brigades Advisory Council, make the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) For paragraph (1)(*d*) of Regulation 3 of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations 1965(c) (which relates to qualifications for promotion to, or appointment in, the rank of fireman) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(*d*) subject to paragraph (3), shall be not less than 5 feet 6 inches in height and have a chest measurement of not less than 36 inches when unexpanded with an expansion of not less than 2 inches;".

(2) At the end of the said Regulation 3 there shall be added the following paragraph:—

"(3) A junior fireman may be promoted to the rank of fireman in a brigade notwithstanding that he does not possess the qualifications mentioned in paragraph (1)(*d*) if, after considering the circumstances of his case, the fire authority—

(*a*) decide that this paragraph shall have effect in his case, and

(*b*) draw the attention of the medical practitioner selected for the purposes of paragraph (1)(*e*) to the fact that he does not possess the said qualifications.".

2. In paragraph (6) of Regulation 4 of the said Regulations of 1965 (which relates to promotion to a rank higher than that of fireman) after the words "issued by the London County Council" there shall be added the words "or, as the case may be, by the Greater London Council".

3. These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1967 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1967.

Roy Jenkins,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
11th November 1967.

(a) 1947 c. 41. (b) 1959 c. 44. (c) S.I. 1965/577 (1965 I, p. 1817).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations 1965.

Regulation 1 relaxes the requirements as respects height for appointment in, and as respects height and chest measurement for promotion to, the rank of fireman. The normal minimum requirement as respects height is reduced from 5 feet 7 inches to 5 feet 6 inches and that as respects chest measurement remains unchanged. If, after considering the circumstances of a particular case, the fire authority concerned so decide, a junior fireman may be promoted notwithstanding that he cannot satisfy these requirements, if he satisfies the other prescribed requirements (including those relating to strength and physical fitness to undertake fire-fighting duties).

Regulation 2 takes account of the fact that the Elementary First Aid Certificate formerly issued by the London County Council is now issued by the Greater London Council.