RANKS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1950

1950 No. 619

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In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by subsection (1) of section eighteen of the Fire Services Act, 1947(a), I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. The method of appointment of a chief officer of a brigade shall be as follows, that is to say:—

(*a*) the fire authority maintaining the brigade shall secure, by means of advertisement in newspapers or otherwise, that members of other brigades may have a reasonably sufficient opportunity of applying for appointment to the post;

(*b*) the said authority shall consider all applications for appointment to the post received by them before the appointment is made;

(*c*) the said authority shall interview such of the persons making application for appointment to the post as they consider necessary;

(*d*) the said authority before appointing any person to the post shall obtain the approval of the Secretary of State to the appointment of that person.

2.—(1) Subject as provided in paragraph (2) of this Regulation, the qualifications for appointment to a brigade in the case of a male person who is to be appointed thereto as a whole-time member thereof on terms under which he is or may be required to engage in fire-fighting shall be as follows, that is to say, such person at the time of his appointment—

(*a*) shall be a British subject;

(*b*) shall be of good character;

(*c*) shall have attained the age of nineteen years and shall not have attained the age of thirty-one years, or, in the case of a person who, having undertaken a fixed period of voluntary service in His Majesty's armed forces has completed that period of service, thirty-five years;

(*d*) shall be not less than five feet seven inches in height and have a chest measurement of not less than thirty-six inches when unexpanded with an expansion of not less than two inches;

(*e*) shall have satisfied a duly qualified medical practitioner selected by the fire authority maintaining the brigade that he is fit to undertake fire-fighting duties and that he has not any physical abnormality, and is not suffering from any disease, which in either case would be likely to incapacitate him temporarily or permanently for the performance of the said duties;

(a) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 41.

(*f*) shall have satisfied the chief officer of the brigade of his ability to pass the following test of strength, that is to say, a test of his ability to carry a man weighing between ten and twelve stone a distance of one hundred yards in a time not exceeding sixty seconds; and

(*g*) shall have passed such examination in educational subjects as the fire authority may require, being such an examination as necessitates a reasonable standard of proficiency in reading, writing, and arithmetic and such other subjects, if any, as the said authority may require, or be, to the satisfaction of the said authority, of such educational standard that it is unnecessary for him to take any such examination.

(2) Nothing in paragraph (1) of this Regulation shall apply in relation to—

(*a*) the appointment of a person to a brigade if, at the time when it is decided to appoint him to the brigade, he is a member of another brigade or of a fire brigade maintained by a fire authority in Scotland under the provisions of the Fire Services Act, 1947, and is serving in that other brigade or, as the case may be, that fire brigade, on terms under which he is or may be required to engage in fire-fighting and which are not such that his engagement in that brigade or that fire brigade is expressed to be temporary only; or

(*b*) the re-appointment to a brigade of a person who has previously retired therefrom and been in receipt of an ill-health pension which has been cancelled.

3.—(1) Nothing in this Regulation shall apply in relation to the promotion of any person who is an auxiliary fireman, or a part-time member of a brigade, or is serving in a brigade on terms under which he is solely engaged on control room duties, but save as aforesaid the provisions of paragraph (2), (3), (4) or (5) of this Regulation shall apply in relation to the qualifications for promotion of any member of a brigade into the ranks respectively therein specified:

Provided that a person may with the approval of the Secretary of State be promoted into a rank to perform in that rank particular duties for which special qualifications are required if he possesses those qualifications notwithstanding that he does not possess the qualifications required under, as the case may be, paragraph (2), (3), (4) or (5) of this Regulation for promotion into that rank.

(2) For promotion into the rank of leading fireman the qualifications of a member of a brigade shall be as follows, that is to say, he shall have had not less than two years' operational service, and, in the case of a promotion to be made after the thirty-first day of October, 1950, shall—

(*a*) have passed the educational examination specified in Part I of the First Schedule to these Regulations, or be, to the satisfaction of the fire authority maintaining the brigade, of an educational standard at least as high as that required to pass the said examination, and

(*b*) after having had such two years' operational service as aforesaid, have passed the test of technical attainments specified in Part II of the said Schedule.

(3) For promotion into the rank of sub-officer the qualifications of a member of a brigade shall be as follows, that is to say, he shall have had not less than four years' operational service, and, in the case of a promotion to be made after the thirtieth day of April, 1951, shall—

(*a*) unless he is already a leading fireman, have passed the test of technical attainments specified in Part II of the First Schedule to these Regulations,

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of these regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations prescribe the time within which and the manner in which notice of subsidence damage to any property to which the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) Act, 1950, applies is to be given to the National Coal Board by the owner of the property or any other person liable to make good any of the damage.

A notice relating to damage which occurred—i.e. evidence of which first appeared—before the passing of the Act must be given within six months of the passing of the Act. A notice relating to damage occurring after the passing of the Act must be given within two months of the occurrence of the damage.

These periods may be extended by the Minister or the National Coal Board where there is a reasonable ground for not giving the notice within the proper time or where the liabilities of the Board have not been substantially increased by the failure.

A form indicating the information required to be given is set out in the schedule.

COAST PROTECTION

The Coast Protection (Notices) Regulations, 1950

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The Minister of Health in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 5 and 8 of the Coast Protection Act, 1949(**a**), hereby makes the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Coast Protection (Notices) Regulations, 1950, and shall come into operation on the first day of February, 1950.

(2) In these regulations " the Act " means the Coast Protection Act, 1949.

(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The notice to be published under subsection (1) of section 5 of the Act by a coast protection authority proposing to carry out, otherwise than under a works scheme, any coast protection work other than work of maintenance or repair shall contain the information specified in the form set out in the Schedule hereto and shall be in that form or in a form substantially to the like effect.

(**a**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 74. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.