FIRE SERVICES

CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

1958 No. 1286

The Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1958

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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, after consultation with the Central Fire Brigades Advisory Council, make the following Regulations:—

1. In paragraph (4) of Regulation 3 of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1950(**b**) (which relates to the qualifications for promotion to the rank of station officer)—

(*a*) in sub-paragraph (*b*) for the word "committee" there shall be substituted the word "board" and the words following to the end of the sub-paragraph shall be omitted;

(*b*) at the end there shall be added the following proviso:—

"Provided that a member shall be deemed to have passed the examination referred to in sub-paragraph (*b*) of this paragraph if before the eighth day of August, 1958, he passed the examination specified in the said sub-paragraph (*b*) as in operation at the time.".

2. In paragraphs (2) and (3) of Regulation 5 of the said Regulations as set out in Regulation 2 of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1955(**c**), and Regulation 1 of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1956(**d**), respectively (which relate to the written technical examination for promotion to the rank of station officer) for the word "committee" in every place where it occurs there shall be substituted the word "board".

3. After the said Regulation 5 there shall be inserted the following Regulation:—

"5A.—(1) The central examination board shall in each year submit to the Secretary of State a report containing such particulars as he may require concerning the written technical examinations referred to in sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (4) of Regulation 3 of these Regulations which were held during the previous year and an account of the expenses incurred during the previous year by the board.

(2) The central examination board shall arrange with the Local Government Examinations Board for the latter board to carry out on their behalf and subject to their general supervision any of their functions under paragraphs (2) and (3) of Regulation 5 of these Regulations which the former board may delegate to the latter board with their consent.".

(**a**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 41.
(**b**) S.I. 1950/619 (1950 I, p. 691).
(**c**) S.I. 1955/1460 (1955 I, p. 878).
(**d**) S.I. 1956/866 (1956 I, p. 936).

4. For sub-paragraph (*c*) of paragraph (1) of Regulation 6 of the said regulations of 1950 (which defines the central examination committee) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:—

"(*c*) the expression "central examination board" means a body of persons appointed for the purposes specified in these Regulations in connection with the written technical examination referred to in sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (4) of Regulation 3 thereof and consisting of a chairman appointed by the Secretary of State and twenty other members appointed as follows, namely:—

(i) three members appointed by the County Councils Association,

(ii) three members appointed by the Association of Municipal Corporations,

(iii) one member appointed by the London County Council, and

(iv) thirteen members appointed by the Secretary of State, including seven appointed to represent the interests of members of fire brigades;".

5. The Third Schedule to the said Regulations of 1950 (which specifies the subjects of the technical examination for promotion to the rank of station officer) is hereby revoked.

6. These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1958, and shall come into operation on the eighth day of August, 1958.

R. A. Butler,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
31st July, 1958.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1950, and provide that the written technical examination for promotion to the rank of station officer shall be conducted by a central examination board constituted as specified in Regulation 4 instead of by the central examination committee, and that the board shall make an annual report to the Secretary of State. Provision is made for the board to delegate functions relating to the conduct of the examination to the Local Government Examinations Board. The subjects of the written technical examination will no longer be prescribed in the Regulations.