STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 277

PUBLIC SERVICE PENSIONS, ENGLAND

The Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	*at 11.04 a.m. on 11th March 2026*
Laid before Parliament	*at 4.00 p.m. on 11th March 2026*
Coming into force - -	*1st April 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 1(1) and (2)(f), 2(1), 3(1), (2)(a) and (3)(a) and (c) of, and paragraph 6(a) of Schedule 2 and paragraph 9(a) and (b) of Schedule 3 to, the Public Service Pensions Act 2013(**a**).

In accordance with section 22(2)(a) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted with representatives of such persons as appear likely to be affected by these Regulations, with a view to reaching agreement with them.

In accordance with section 22(2)(b) of that Act, the Secretary of State has laid a report before Parliament.

In accordance with section 3(5) of that Act, these Regulations are made with the consent of the Treasury.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2026.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 1st April 2026.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales.

Amendment to the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) Regulations 2014

2.—(1) Regulation 110 (member contributions) of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) Regulations 2014(**b**) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (2)—

(a) omit "for the year";

(**a**) 2013 c. 25; section 3(1) was amended by section 94(2) of the Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Act 2022 (c. 7); there are other amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(**b**) S.I. 2014/2848, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

(b) for "appropriate" substitute "second";

(c) for the tables substitute—

"For each scheme year beginning on or after 1st April 2026

Annual pensionable pay thresholds	**Contribution rate applied to annual pensionable pay**
Up to £36,130	11.09%
£36,131 to £45,507	12.59%
£45,408 to £66,908	14.09%
£66,909 to £190,691	15.59%
£190,692 or more	17.09%.".

(3) After paragraph (2) insert—

"(2A) The figures in the column headed "Annual pensionable pay thresholds" in the table in paragraph (2) above are to be increased on 1st April 2027 and on 1st April of each subsequent year, if there is a relevant increase in the consumer prices index or, should the Secretary of State decide, any other index of the general level of prices in the United Kingdom, by the appropriate percentage for the scheme year rounded up to the nearest £100.

(2B) For the purposes of paragraph (2A), where there is a relevant increase after 1st April 2027, the figures to be increased on the relevant date are the figures applicable to the previous scheme year.

(2C) There is a relevant increase in the consumer prices index or any other index of the general level of prices in the United Kingdom for a scheme year if the index for the month of September before that scheme year is higher than that for the previous September.

(2D) The appropriate percentage for the scheme year is the same percentage as any percentage increase in the consumer prices index or any other index of the general level of prices in the United Kingdom decided by the Secretary of State over the period specified by paragraph (2C).

(2E) For the purposes of paragraphs (2A)-(2D), "consumer prices index" means the general index of consumer prices (for all items) published by the Statistics Board(**a**).".

(4) In paragraph (3) for "reference pay" substitute "annual pensionable pay".

(5) In paragraph (4) for "the amount of pensionable pay of a whole-time regular firefighter of equivalent role and length of service" substitute "that firefighter's annual pensionable pay".

(**a**) The Statistics Board is established under section 1 of the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 (c. 18).

We consent to the making of these Regulations

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Christian Wakeford
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury
3rd March 2026 HM Treasury

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government

Samantha Dixon
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State
At 11.04 a.m. on 11th March 2026 Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend regulation 110 (member contributions) of the Firefighters' Pension Scheme (England) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 2014/2848).

Regulation 2(2) updates the annual pensionable pay thresholds and the rates payable at each level from 1st April 2026.

Regulation 2(3) provides for the annual pensionable pay bands to be increased on the first day of each scheme year by reference to the consumer price index or a similar index.

Regulation 2(4) and (5) amends the definition of pensionable pay used to calculate pension contributions for retained, volunteer and part-time firefighters.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

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