Section 7
Regulation 31

FORM M.T. 37

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

ESCORT CERTIFICATE (Temporary Patient)

I, ...
of .....
a registered medical practitioner, having signed the medical recommendation in accordance with FORM M.T. 8 of the Mental Health (No. 1) Regulations, 1948, in respect of*.....
of .....
hereby certify that I am satisfied that a police escort is required for ensuring the safe conveyance of the said.....to the.....hospital.

Signed.....

Medical Qualifications.....

Dated this.....day of.....19.....

* Name and address of patient.

NOTE.—The certificate should be handed to the officer or constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary who arranges for the escort.

THE MENTAL HEALTH (NO. 2) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948, DATED THE TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1948, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948, AND THE HEALTH SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

1948. No. 327

The Ministry of Health and Local Government, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, and by the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, hereby makes the following Regulations.

PART I — GENERAL

Short Title. **1.** These regulations may be cited as the Mental Health (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

Parts. **2.** These regulations are divided into ten parts namely —

PART I — General
PART II — Prescribed Forms
PART III — Supervision
PART IV — Guardianship
PART V — Transfer of Patients
PART VI — Institutions
PART VII — Absence on Licence and Leave
PART VIII — Police Escorts
PART IX — Medical Examinations
PART X — Miscellaneous Provisions

Interpretation.

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them :—

(*a*) " the Act " means the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948 ;

(*b*) " the Authority " means the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority ;

(*c*) " management committee " has the meaning assigned to it by sub-section (2) of section 28 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, and includes the Mental Health Services Committee or any special committee appointed by the Mental Health Services Committee for the purpose of managing an institution ;

(*d*) " medical inspector " means a medical inspector appointed under section 43 of the Act ;

(*e*) " the Ministry " means the Ministry of Health and Local Government ;

(*f*) " patient " means a person who has been ascertained to be a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Act ;

(*g*) " resident medical superintendent " has the meaning assigned to it by section 105 of the Act and includes the medical officer who has charge of an institution whether residing in that institution or otherwise ;

(*h*) " treatment authorisation " has the meaning assigned to it by section 105 of the Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to a form set out in the Schedule to these Regulations shall be deemed to include a reference to a form substantially corresponding thereto.

Records and Notices.

4. Where under any provision of these Regulations the duty of making entries in records or of sending notices is imposed on the resident medical superintendent, such duty may be performed by some other person delegated by the resident medical superintendent with the approval of the management committee.

Date of operation.

5. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st January, 1949.

Officers.

6. Regulations made under section 57 of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948 (which relates to officers) shall have effect for the purposes of the Act as they have effect for the purposes of the first mentioned Act.

Delegation of Authority's functions.

7. The functions of the Authority under sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 52, 54, 59, 65 and 66 of the Act in relation to persons suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind and under these Regulations may be performed by any officer of the Authority authorised in writing by the Chairman or Secretary of the Authority, and such authorisation may be made in respect of all or any of the aforementioned functions.

Transmission of treatment authorisation.

8. Where a person has been declared to be a person requiring special care in the form of supervision or guardianship, a copy of the relevant treatment authorisation shall be transmitted by the Authority to the person in whose charge the patient remains or is placed.

Medical reports and certificates.

9. An affirmative report for the purposes of section 27 of the Act may be deemed to be a certificate for the purposes of section 32 of the Act.

Penalty for breach of Regulations.

10. The penalty for a breach of any of the foregoing Regulations shall be a fine not exceeding £50 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or both such fine and such imprisonment.

PART II — PRESCRIBED FORMS

Notice to Authority.

11.—(1) The notice to the Authority under section 23 of the Act shall be in the form S.C. 1 in the Schedule.

Notice requiring submission for medical examination.

(2) The notice by the Authority requiring a person to submit himself for medical examination shall be in the form S.C. 2 in the Schedule.

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(3) The notice by the Authority requiring a parent or guardian to submit a person in their charge for medical examination shall be in the form S.C. 2A in the Schedule.

Medical Report.

(4) The medical report shall be in the form S.C. 3 in the Schedule.

Statement of Particulars

(5) The statement of particulars shall be in the form S.C. 4 in the Schedule.

Form of Consent to special care.

(6) The form of consent to special care shall be in the form S.C. 5 in the Schedule.

Notice of intention to apply for a Judicial Order.

(7) The notice by the Authority to a person over 21 years of age of intention to apply for a judicial order shall be in the form S.C. 6 in the Schedule.

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(8) The notice by the Authority to a parent or guardian of intention to apply for a judicial order shall be in the form S.C. 6A in the Schedule.

Petition for Judicial Order.

(9) The petition by a duly authorised officer of the Authority for a judicial order shall be in the form S.C 7 in the Schedule.

Petition to replace a defective order.

(10) The petition by a duly authorised officer of the Authority to replace a previous judicial order which has been found to be defective or based on a defective certificate shall be in the form S.C .7A in the Schedule.

(11) The statutory declaration shall be in the form S.C. 8 in the Schedule. Statutory Declaration.

(12) The judicial order shall be in the form S.C. 9 in the Schedule. Judicial Order.

(13) The notice of reception under supervision, guardianship and in an institution shall be respectively in the forms S.C. 10, S.C. 10A and S.C. 10B in the Schedule. Notice of Reception.

(14) The medical statement shall be in the form S.C. 11 in the Schedule. Medical statement.

(15) The consent of a judicial authority to the appointment of a guardian of a different religious persuasion to the patient shall be in the form S.C. 12 in the Schedule. Form of consent to appointment of guardian of a different religious persuasion.

(16) The special report and certificate shall be in the form S.C. 13 in the Schedule. Special Report and Certificate.

(17) The order by the Ministry continuing a treatment authorisation shall be in the form S.C. 14 in the Schedule. Order extending treatment authorisation

(18) The notice of discharge shall be in the form S.C. 15 in the Schedule. Notice of Discharge.

(19) The notice of unauthorised absence shall be in the form S.C. 16 in the Schedule. Notice of unauthorised absence.

(20) The notice of return of a patient shall be in the form S.C. 17 in the Schedule. Notice of return of patient.

(21) The notice of transfer shall be in the form S.C. 18 in the Schedule. Notice of transfer.

(22) The notices of death shall be in the forms S.C. 19 and S.C. 19A in the Schedule. Notice of death.

(23) The escort certificate shall be in the form S.C. 20 in the Schedule. Escort certificate.

(24) The medical certificate to accompany a patient on transfer shall be in the form S.C. 21 in the Schedule. Medical certificate on transfer.

(25) The warrant of a judicial authority authorising an officer or constable of police to search for a person alleged to be suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind and cruelly treated or neglected shall be in the form S.C. 22 in the Schedule. Search Warrant.

(26) The notice of return of a patient temporarily removed or transferred from an institution shall be in the form S.C. 23 in the Schedule. Notice of return of patient.

PART III — SUPERVISION

Definition of "parent" for Part III of these Regulations.

12. In this Part of these Regulations the expression "parent" in relation to a patient under the age of 21 shall include any person having charge of the patient, and "patient" means a patient under supervision.

Powers and duties of parents.

13. A person who has care of a patient shall, in the exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Act or these Regulations, be subject to the direction of the Authority.

Visitation.

14. The medical inspector or other officer or person designated by the Ministry or the Authority may without notice visit a patient as often and at such times as he thinks fit.

15. The medical inspector or any medical officer of the Authority authorised in that behalf may at any time examine any patient.

16. The Authority shall cause every patient to be visited :—

(1) at least once in each calendar year by a medical practitioner possessing the qualifications set out in Regulation 63 of these Regulations who shall make a report in writing to the Authority on the physical and mental condition of the patient and make any other observations that he may think necessary ; and

(2) at such intervals as the Authority may think necessary by such other person or persons as the Authority may authorise, and such persons shall in respect of each visit furnish a report to the Authority on the welfare, progress and circumstances of the patient.

Change of residence.

17. Where a patient changes his residence he (or his parent if the patient is under 21) shall, within seven days, notify his new address to the Authority, and the Authority shall forthwith notify the Ministry accordingly.

Furnishing of information.

18. The parent of a patient shall give such information to the Authority or the Ministry in reference to the patient as the Authority or the Ministry may from time to time require.

Provision of medical and dental services.

19.—(1) The parent of a patient shall make arrangements for securing the provision of personal medical and dental services for the patient whether under the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, or otherwise.

Attendance at instruction centres.

(2) The parent of a patient shall, if so required by the Authority, arrange for the attendance of the patient at any course of training or instruction which the Authority may deem suitable.

Variation of special care.

20. If a patient becomes or is found to be unsuitable for supervision the parent or other person in charge of the patient shall give immediate notice of the circumstances to the Authority and the Authority shall

forthwith take such steps as may be requisite in the interests of the patient or in the public interest.

21. In the event of the death of a patient the parent shall, before the expiration of the day after the death of the patient, notify the Authority and the Authority shall notify the Ministry accordingly. Death of patient.

PART IV — GUARDIANSHIP

22. A person who is appointed to be the guardian of a patient shall, in the exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Act or these Regulations, be subject to the direction of the Authority. Powers and duties of guardians.

23. A person appointed to be a guardian of a patient whether by means of a judicial order or otherwise may exercise in relation to the patient all the powers referred to in sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Act.

24. A person appointed to be a guardian shall keep such records as the Authority may from time to time require.

25. Except in the case of a patient who has been placed under the guardianship of an officer of the Authority or of an officer of any local or other public authority or in such cases as the Authority, with the approval of the Ministry, may permit, a patient shall reside with the guardian.

26. The medical inspector or other officer or person designated by the Ministry or the Authority may without notice visit a patient as often and at such times as he thinks fit.

27. The medical inspector or any medical officer authorised by the Authority in that behalf may at any time examine any patient under guardianship and may inspect any relevant records required to be kept under any of these Regulations or any or every part of the buildings or grounds of the house, home or other place used or proposed to be used by the patient.

28. Where a guardian changes his residence he shall notify his new address to the Authority within seven days, and the Authority shall forthwith notify the Ministry accordingly. Change of residence.

29. A guardian shall not remove a patient to any place outside Northern Ireland without the previous consent of the Authority and the Ministry.

30. A guardian shall provide, according to the best means available, for the training, occupation and recreation of the patient, and shall ensure that in these respects everything practicable is done for the Attendance at instruction centres, etc.

improvement of his mental and physical condition. If so required by the Authority a guardian shall arrange for the attendance of the patient at any course of training or instruction which the Authority may deem suitable.

Leave of absence.

31.—(1) A guardian may, with the previous consent in writing of the Authority, take the patient or send him, under proper control, to such place or places and for such period as may be specified or may grant him leave of absence for such period as the Authority may consider proper.

(2) A guardian shall forthwith notify to the Authority any change of residence under this Regulation and the Authority shall forthwith notify the Ministry accordingly.

Notices and furnishing of information.

32. Where a patient is placed under guardianship the guardian shall within 3 days send to the Authority notice thereof in the form prescribed in Regulation 11(13) of these Regulations.

33. A guardian shall give such information to the Authority or the Ministry with respect to any patient as the Authority or the Ministry may from time to time require.

34. A guardian shall, within 24 hours after the transfer, discharge, unauthorised absence or return of the patient give notice thereof to the Authority, in the appropriate form, and the Authority shall transmit a copy thereof to the Ministry.

Death of patient.

35. Where a patient under guardianship dies the guardian shall, before the expiration of the day after the death, send notice thereof :—

(*a*) to the Registrar of Deaths for the district,

(*b*) to the Authority,

and the Authority shall forthwith notify the Ministry accordingly.

Provision of medical and dental services.

36. A guardian shall make arrangements for securing the provision of personal medical and dental services for the patient, whether under the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, or otherwise.

Visitation.

37. The provisions of Regulation 16 shall have effect for the purposes of this Part of these Regulations as they have effect for the purposes of Part III.

Resignation of guardianship.

38. A guardian who wishes to resign his guardianship shall give previous notice in writing to the Authority of his intention to do so.

Variation of special care.

39. If a patient becomes or is found to be unsuitable for guardianship the guardian shall give immediate notice of the circumstances to the Authority and the Authority shall forthwith take such steps as may be requisite in the interests of the patient or in the public interest.

40.—(1) Patients shall be allowed to write letters at reasonable intervals but, except as provided in section 52 of the Act, every letter to or from a patient may be read by his guardian, and if the contents are objectionable, or if the guardian considers it undesirable that correspondence should be maintained between the patient and the person to whom the letter is addressed or from whom it is received, it shall not be forwarded or delivered but shall be retained for a period of 12 months and produced at any time during that period to the medical inspector or other officer appointed, or person designated by, the Authority or the Ministry. Correspondence.

(2) No patient shall be permitted to sign any legal document without the knowledge of his guardian and where any such document is signed the guardian shall forthwith notify the Authority and the Authority shall notify the Registrar-in-Lunacy accordingly.

41.—(1) Visits to a patient under guardianship may be paid at such intervals as the person, in whose guardianship the patient is placed, permits but the interval between any two visits by the nearest adult relative of the patient shall not be fixed at more than one month, and the special consent of the person in whose guardianship the patient is placed shall be obtained before the patient is visited by any person in connection with business transactions. Visits by friends, etc.

(2) If there is reasonable ground for suspecting that any person visiting a patient is exercising a bad influence on him the right of that person to visit may, on the application of the guardian, be suspended by the Authority with the approval of the Ministry.

42. The Authority or the Ministry may at any time grant permission in writing for any person to visit a patient under guardianship for a particular purpose or purposes either on a single occasion or for a limited number of times or generally at all reasonable times and with or without restriction as to the presence of the parent or guardian. Any such written permission shall be produced to the guardian and may be withdrawn at any time by the Authority or the Ministry as the case may be.

43. Any application by the Authority for the consent of a judicial authority to placing a patient under the guardianship of any person of a religious persuasion different from his own shall be made in writing by the Authority, and, if the judicial authority consents to the application the form of consent shall be in the Form S.C. 12 in the Schedule. Appointment of a guardian of a different religious persuasion.

44. Where, in the opinion of the Authority, a guardian appointed by virtue of the provisions of section 29 of the Act becomes unsuitable to continue as guardian or has failed to comply with all or any of the conditions of guardianship the Authority may, notwithstanding absence of consent of the patient or the parent of the patient to the appointment Appointment of a new guardian.

of another person to act as guardian, apply in accordance with the provisions of section 32 of the Act for the appointment of some suitable person to perform the functions of a guardian and if the judicial authority orders accordingly the guardian appointed by virtue of the provisions of section 29 of the Act shall thereupon cease to exercise any of the functions of a guardian.

PART V — TRANSFER OF PATIENTS

Transfers.

45. Where a patient is transferred under the provisions of section 55 of the Act the resident medical superintendent of the institution from which the patient is transferred shall —

(*a*) send forthwith to the resident medical superintendent of the institution to which the patient is thereupon admitted the treatment authorisation and copies of the relevant documents on which the treatment authorisation was based ;

(*b*) send with the patient a medical certificate in the form S.C. 21 in the Schedule dated not more than seven days before the date of transfer ;

(*c*) send with the patient a copy of or extracts from the patient's clinical record.

46.—(1) Where a patient becomes or is found to be unsuitable for the type of special care which he is then receiving or becomes or is found to be suitable for another type of special care, then the Authority (unless the Ministry otherwise directs) shall take the necessary steps in accordance with the provisions of the Act and of these Regulations and of any Regulations made under section 34 of the Act for the variation of the treatment authorisation.

(2) Where the resident medical superintendent finds that the mental condition of a patient is such that he ought to be dealt with under Part II of the Act, the resident medical superintendent shall notify the Authority forthwith and the Authority shall forthwith arrange for the appropriate steps to be taken to have the patient dealt with under Part II of the Act.

PART VI — INSTITUTIONS

Classification of patients.

47. The patients in an institution shall be classified generally according to their age, sex, capabilities, habits, degree of mental development and behaviour.

Restraint and Seclusion.

48.—(1) The expression " mechanical restraint " includes all instruments and appliances whereby the movements of the body or any part of the limbs of a patient are restrained or impeded.

(2) The expression " seclusion " means the placing of a patient, during the period between the normal time of rising of the patients and the normal time of their retirement at night in any room alone and with the door or exit locked or fastened or held in such a way as to prevent his egress.

(3) Mechanical restraint or seclusion shall not be used except by the order of a medical officer who shall sign the appropriate record in the register of mechanical restraint and seclusion.

(4) Mechanical means of bodily restraint shall not be applied to any patient in an institution unless the restraint is necessary for the purposes of medical or surgical treatment, or to prevent the patient from injuring himself or others.

(5) In every case where such restraint is applied particulars describing the mechanical means used and stating the grounds upon which the restraint was employed shall be entered without delay in the register of mechanical restraint and seclusion.

(6) Each entry in the register shall be signed on the day of the entry by the medical officer who ordered the use of the mechanical restraint or seclusion.

(7) A full record in every case in which either restraint or seclusion is used shall be made daily in the register throughout the whole period during which the restraint or seclusion continues, and a copy of such entries (if any) in the register shall be forwarded to the Ministry by the resident medical superintendent at the end of every quarter.

(8) The following instruments and appliances only shall be used for the purpose of mechanical restraint :—

(*a*) a jacket or dress, laced or buttoned down the back, made of strong linen, with long outside sleeves fastened to the dress only at the shoulders, and having closed ends to which tapes may be attached for tying behind the back when the arms have been folded across the chest ; or

(*b*) a jacket with blind sleeves forming part of the dress ;

(*c*) gloves without fingers, fastened at the wrists with buttons or locks, and made of strong linen or chamois leather, padded or otherwise ;

(*d*) sheets or towels, when tied or fastened to the bed or other object.

(9) During the use of any of these mechanical appliances the patient shall be frequently visited by a medical officer and shall be kept under continuous special supervision.

(10) The following are not to be considered as mechanical means of bodily restraint, but shall be used only under medical order, and a record of their use shall be made in the clinical records :—

(*a*) The continuous bath. A cover shall not be used unless the aperture therein for the patient's head is large enough for his body to pass through.

(*b*) The dry and wet pack. No straps or ligatures of any kind shall be used, and the patient shall be released for necessary purposes at intervals not exceeding two hours.

(*c*) Splints, bandages, and other like appliances when used in accordance with recognised surgical practice for operations or the treatment of fractures or other local injuries, and not so as to interfere with the free movement of the body or limbs more than is necessarily incident to their use for such purpose.

(*d*) Gloves, if so fastened as to be removable by the wearer.

(*e*) Sheets or towels used only for the purpose of artificial feeding, and merely held, not tied or fastened.

(*f*) Trays or rails fastened to the front of chairs used by young persons, cripples or aged infirm adults to prevent their falling out and thereby injuring themselves; provided in case of adults that it is within the patient's power to undo the fastening.

(*g*) Any necessary restraint used for the sole purpose of enabling electrical or other special medical or surgical treatment to be given to patients.

Records to be kept by Resident Medical Superintendent.

49. The resident medical superintendent shall keep :—

(*a*) a clinical record of all patients under his care, and such record may be either in book form or in loose leaf form;

(*b*) a general register;

(*c*) an alphabetical register (which may, if desired, be kept by means of a card index);

(*d*) a register of mechanical restraint and seclusion;

(*e*) a post-mortem register;

(*f*) a casualty book for each ward;

(*g*) a register of infectious diseases;

(*h*) an epileptic register;

(*i*) a chaplain's book;

(*j*) a morning statement book;

(*k*) a dispensary book or medicine card or sheet;

(*l*) suitable caution cards for patients who are actively suicidal or suffering from tuberculosis or epilepsy or intestinal infection;

(*m*) suitable day and night reports for nurses in charge of each ward;

(*n*) patients' private property register.

These records shall be in such form as may be approved from time to time by the Authority and the Ministry. The resident medical superintendent shall, in addition, keep such other records as the Authority or the Ministry may from time to time require.

Death of patient.

50.—(1) Where any patient dies in an institution the resident medical superintendent shall, in addition to the notice of death required to be given under section 65 of the Act, forthwith give notice thereof to the Coroner of the district in which the death occurred and to the nearest known relative; and if the Coroner determines that an inquest is

necessary, the resident medical superintendent shall forthwith give notice thereof to such relative as aforesaid, to the Authority, to the Registrar-in-Lunacy (if the patient's affairs are under the control of the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland) and to the Ministry.

(2) Where a patient dies in an institution a medical officer of the Authority shall examine the body as soon as possible after the death and shall make a note in writing of any bedsores and marks of bruises or other indications of injury. A medical officer of the Authority may make a complete autopsy, unless the relative to whom notice of the death has been sent, objects. The medical officer, who makes any such examination or autopsy, shall enter full particulars thereof in the post-mortem register referred to in Regulation 49. If the relative has objected to a complete autopsy this fact should also be recorded in the post-mortem register.

Correspondence.

51.—(1) Patients shall be allowed to write letters at reasonable intervals but, except as provided in section 52 of the Act, every letter to or from a patient may be read by the resident medical superintendent and if the contents are objectionable or if the resident medical superintendent considers it undesirable that correspondence should be maintained between the patient and the person to whom the letter is addressed or from whom it is received, it shall not be forwarded or delivered.

(2) No patient shall be permitted to sign any legal document without the knowledge of the resident medical superintendent and where any such document is signed the resident medical superintendent shall forthwith notify the Authority and the Authority shall notify the Registrar-in-Lunacy accordingly.

Visits by friends, etc.

52.—(1) Visits to a patient may be paid at such times and at such intervals as the resident medical superintendent may approve, but the interval between any two visits by the nearest adult relative of a patient shall not be fixed at more than one month and the special consent of the resident medical superintendent shall be obtained before any patient is visited by any person in connection with business transactions.

(2) If it appears to the resident medical superintendent that there is reasonable cause to believe that any person visiting a patient is exercising a bad influence on the patient or encouraging him to break the rules or any special directions given by the resident medical superintendent, the resident medical superintendent may —

(i) report the circumstances to the Authority, and if the Authority on any such report consider that further visits by the person would be contrary to the interests of the patient, they may, with the approval of the Ministry, suspend the person's right to visit the patient;

(ii) order the person to be removed from the premises and when any such order is given it shall be lawful for the person to be so removed and if need be by force.

(3) The Authority or the Ministry may at any time grant permission in writing for the admission of any person to visit a patient for a particular purpose or purposes either on a single occasion or for a limited number of times or generally at all reasonable times and with or without restriction as to the presence of a medical or other officer. Any such written permission shall be produced to the resident medical superintendent on admission to the institution and may be withdrawn at any time by the Authority or the Ministry as the case may be.

Serious injury to patients, etc.

53.—(1) The resident medical superintendent shall notify immediately the Authority and the Ministry of :—

(*a*) any serious injury to any patient either existing on admission or received during his residence in the institution ;

(*b*) any serious assault upon a patient, whether by another patient or by a member of the staff ;

(*c*) any outbreak of zymotic or epidemic disease whether affecting the patients or the members of the staff ;

(*d*) any outbreak of fire ;

(*e*) any other matter of serious importance to the welfare of the patients in the institution.

(2) The resident medical superintendent shall also notify immediately the Registrar-in-Lunacy on the occurrence of any of the events under 1 (*a*), 1 (*b*) or 1 (*c*) of this Regulation affecting any patient whose affairs are under the control of the Lord Chief Justice.

Examination of patients on admission.

54. Where a patient is admitted to an institution a member of the medical staff shall examine the patient forthwith and shall forthwith furnish to the person who brought the patient a statement describing the general physical condition of the patient and whether bruises or other injuries or marks or indications of violence or neglect were observed at the examination.

PART VII — ABSENCE FROM INSTITUTIONS ON LICENCE AND LEAVE

Absence on licence and leave.

55.—(1) The resident medical superintendent or the Authority on his recommendation may grant to a patient a licence to be absent from the institution for such period or periods and subject to such conditions as to residence or otherwise as may be therein specified. The licence shall be in such form as may from time to time be approved by the Authority and the Ministry.

(2) A licence granted under this Regulation may at any time be revoked by the resident medical superintendent or by the Authority as the case may be.

(3) The resident medical superintendent shall prepare and furnish to the person in whose care the patient is licensed a copy of the

licence with the conditions under which such licence is granted endorsed thereon.

56. The resident medical superintendent may, without issuing a licence, grant permission in writing to a patient to be absent on leave for a period not exceeding 21 days subject to such conditions as may be specified in the permission, if he is satisfied as to the suitability of the place to which the patient will be taken and as to the means of supervision which will be available and any such permission may be revoked by the resident medical superintendent at any time.

57. On the expiry or revocation of any licence or permission granted or renewed under either of the last two preceding Regulations the patient may be brought back to the institution by the resident medical superintendent or any officer or other person authorised by him.

58. The resident medical superintendent when permitting a patient to be absent on licence or on leave from an institution under the provisions of section 59 of the Act may make it a condition of such absence that the patient shall attend at an extern clinic or at such other place and at such intervals as the resident medical superintendent may think necessary.

Part VIII — Police Escorts

Police Escorts.

59.—(1) Where a medical officer of the Authority possessing such qualifications as may be required under Regulation 63 of these Regulations is of opinion that in the interests of the patient or in the public interest it is desirable that a police escort should be provided for the purpose of ensuring the safe conveyance of a patient to an institution any officer or constable of police may on the receipt by him of an escort certificate arrange for such escort of police as may seem to him to be required for the said purpose.

(2) The expenses properly incurred by any officer or constable of police in providing a police escort shall be repaid to the police authorities by the Authority and such payment shall be made upon a certificate of the district inspector of the police district in which the escort was provided.

Part IX — Medical Examinations

Rights of Parents or Guardians to attend medical examinations.

60. Where, in consequence of a notification under section 23 of the Act, or an application under section 24 or section 25 of the Act, a person is being examined by a medical officer of the Authority, the parent or guardian of that person shall be entitled, if he so desires, to be present at the examination.

61. Where, during the course of such examination, the medical officer is of opinion that it is not in the interests of the person being examined, that the parent or guardian should continue to be present

during the examination or that a proper examination cannot be carried out in the presence of the parent or guardian, then the medical officer may direct the parent or guardian to leave the place of examination and the parent or guardian shall forthwith comply with any such direction.

Provided that, before giving any such direction, the medical officer shall explain to the parent or guardian why it is not possible for a proper examination to be carried out in his presence.

PART X — MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Patients having property.

62. If any member of the management committee, the secretary of the institution, a member of the medical staff of the Authority or the medical inspector becomes aware that any patient has property other than that recorded on his admission to the institutiton, it shall be the duty of any such person as aforesaid to notify the secretary of the institution of any particulars of such property as he is able to furnish and the said secretary shall notify the Registrar-in-Lunacy.

Qualifications of Medical Officers.

63. For the purposes of sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 32, 33, 34, 36 and 37 of the Act a medical officer of the Authority or a medical practitioner shall be in possession of such qualifications as may be determined from time to time by the Authority with the approval of the Ministry.

Defective orders and certificates.

64. When a judicial order, or any certificate upon which such an order has been made, is found to be incorrect or defective or has expired, a new medical certificate shall accompany the petition.

Furnishing of information about patients.

65. Where any responsible person applies to the Ministry for information as to whether a person is or was at any time receiving special care under the Act the Ministry may, if it is satisfied that in the interests of the person or in the public interest it is desirable so to do, deliver to the applicant a statement in writing giving such particulars as the Ministry may consider expedient regarding the special care of that person.

Records to be kept by the Ministry.

66.—(1) The records to be kept by the Ministry of each patient shall be such as may be appropriate and shall include the following particulars :—

(*a*) the name and address of the patient ;

(*b*) the age of the patient ;

(*c*) the type of special care authorised ;

(*d*) the date of admission to special care ;

(*e*) the type of treatment authorisation and the date on which it is due to expire ;

(*f*) particulars of licencing or leave of absence ;

(*g*) particulars of unauthorised absence ;

(*h*) particulars of the removal, transfer, discharge or death of the patient.

(2) There may be separate registers in respect of patients under supervision, under guardianship or in institutions and these registers may, if so desired be kept by means of a card index.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this twenty-eighth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight in the presence of :

(L.S.) *Thos. Elwood,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

Section 23
Regulation 11 (1)

FORM S.C. 1

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE TO NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY THAT A PERSON APPEARS TO BE SUFFERING FROM ARRESTED OR INCOMPLETE DEVELOPMENT OF MIND.

Re .....

Address .....

.....

.....

The above-named person is, in my opinion, suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind to such an extent that it should be ascertained if he/she is a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

Signature.....

Date.....

Occupation and address.....

.....

.....

Section 26
Regulation 11 (2)

FORM S.C. 2

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE BY NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY REQUIRING A PERSON TO SUBMIT HIMSELF/HERSELF FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

I have to inform you that a notification has been received by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority intimating that you appear to be a person in respect of whom it should be ascertained, in your own interests, whether you require special care within the meaning of the above mentioned Act.

You have failed to respond to requests to submit yourself for examination by a medical officer of the Authority. Accordingly on behalf of the Authority, I must now require you to submit yourself for such examination.

at.....

on ..... at .....

Yours faithfully,

To.....

.....

NOTE :— Under section 95 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, a person who fails to comply with this notice is guilty of an offence under the Act, and, where the offence is continued, is guilty of a further offence in respect of each day on which such failure continues. Under the Act an offence is punishable summarily with imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months with or without hard labour or with a fine not exceeding £50 or both such imprisonment and such fine.

Section 26
Regulation 11 (3)

FORM S.C. 2A

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE BY NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY REQUIRING A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO SUBMIT A PERSON FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Re .....

.....

.....

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

I have to inform you that a notification has been received by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority intimating that the above-mentioned person appears to be a person in respect of whom it should be ascertained in his/her own interests whether he/she requires special care within the meaning of the above Act.

You have failed to respond to requests to submit him/her for examination by a medical officer of the Authority. Accordingly on behalf of the Authority, I must now require you to submit him/her for such examination at.....

on ..... at .....

Yours faithfully,

To .....

.....

.....

NOTE :— Under section 95 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, a person who fails to comply with this notice is guilty of an offence under the Act, and, where the offence is continued, is guilty of a further offence in respect of each day on which such failure continues. Under the Act an offence is punishable summarily with imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months with or without hard labour or with a fine not exceeding £50 or both such imprisonment and such fine.

Section 27
Regulations 9 and 11 (4)

FORM S.C. 3

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

MEDICAL REPORT

(1) Name (Surname first).....

(2) Address .....

.....

.....

(3) I the undersigned.....

of.....do hereby state as follows :—

(4) I am a registered medical practitioner possessing the qualifications prescribed under the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(5) I have personally examined the above person on.....

and in my opinion he/she should be dealt with as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(6) I have formed this opinion on the following grounds :—

(*a*) Facts indicating arrested or incomplete development of mind observed by me which render the person socially inefficient* :—

(i) at the time of examination.....

.....

(ii) prior to examination (give dates).....

.....

(*b*) Matters communicated by others†.....

.....

.....

(7) Other relevant information or observations.....

.....

(8) I recommend that he/she should be placed under the supervision of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority/placed under guardianship/sent to .....

.....institution.

(9) I am of opinion that he/she is/is not dangerous (if dangerous give particulars).

.....

.....

(10) He/She
_____agrees to special care being given.
His/Her parent or guardian

(11) I am of opinion that he/she is capable/incapable of appreciating the nature of any consultation or of making any decision on this report.

(12) This is/is not an affirmative report within the meaning of section 27 (3) of the above Act.

(13) A statement of particulars is attached.

(Signed).....

Date.....

* For definition of the term " socially inefficient " see section 19 (3) of the Act.
† Names and addresses should be given.

NOTES :—(1) This report must not be completed by a medical officer of the Authority who is the spouse or a relative of the person, or of the spouse of the person to whom it relates.

(2) The medical practitioner must have personally examined the patient not more than two days before the date on which he signs the certificate.

Section 27
Regulation 11 (5)

FORM S.C. 4

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

(To accompany Medical Report)

(1) Full name of person .....

(2) Address .....

.....

(3) Sex.....

(4) National Registration Number.....

(5) Date of birth.....

(6) Single, married, widowed.....

(7) If married woman or widow, maiden name and name under any previous marriage :

.....

(8) Rank, profession or occupation (if any).....

(9) National Insurance Number.....

(10) Religious persuasion .....

(11) Age when arrested or incomplete development of mind first observed and supposed cause : .....

(12) Whether subject to epilepsy.....

(13) Whether blind or partially blind.....

(14) Whether deaf or partially deaf.....

(15) Other physical deformities or abnormalities.....

(16) Whether suicidal.....

(17) Whether of violent or dangerous propensities and in what way shown :

.....

(18) If at any time the person attended a special school or was detained in a reformatory, industrial school or prison give particulars (with dates)

.....

.....

(19) Whether any near relative has suffered from mental illness or arrested or incomplete development of mind or is subject to epilepsy, alcoholism, "nerves" :

.....

(20) Full name of parent or guardian.....

(21) Address of parent or guardian.....

(22) Names and address in full of one or more relatives.....

.....

(23) Particulars of any income or property received by or belonging to the person (give all classes of property, *i.e.*, cash, stock, investments, house property etc.)

.....

(24) In the case of a person recommended to be sent to an institution or to be placed under guardianship, the name of the person to whom any notice of death is to be sent and full postal address if not already given : .....

.....

(25) Whether in receipt of :—

(*a*) Old Age Pension.....

(*b*) Widows ,, ...

(*c*) Orphans ,, ...

(26) Whether any Family Allowance is being paid. If so give particulars.

.....

.....

(Signed).....

(Address).....

(Date).....

Section 29
Regulation 11 (6)

FORM S.C. 5

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948.

FORM OF CONSENT TO SPECIAL CARE

(1) Name.....

(2) Address .....

.....

.....

(3) Age :.....

(4) *I,.....,, being a person in respect of whom a report has been made to the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority by one of their medical officers that in his opinion I should be dealt with as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above mentioned Act hereby agree to submit myself to the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority for such special care.

I am aware that the form of special care will be

.....

(Signed).....

(Date).....

SS

(5) *I,....., being the parent/guardian of the above-named in respect of whom a report has been made to the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority by one of their medical officers and having been advised of the contents of that report, hereby consent to.....being submitted to special care to be provided by the Authority.

I am aware that the form of special care will be

.....

(Signed).....

(Date).....

* Delete whichever is inapplicable.

Witness.....

Address.....

.....

.....

Section 32
Regulation 11 (7)

FORM S.C. 6

Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority.

Address.....

.....

Date.....

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE BY NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY TO PERSON OVER 21 OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A JUDICIAL ORDER.

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

I have to refer to the recent consultations between you and officers of this Authority, and to state that having considered a report from their medical officer who examined you on.....the Authority are of opinion that in your own interests you should be dealt with as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above Act. The form of special care recommended is

.....

As you have not intimated your willingness to submit yourself for such special care I now give notice that at the expiration of 14 days from the date of this letter it is the Authority's intention to present a petition to a Justice of the Peace or a Resident Magistrate for an order authorising the Authority to provide such special care.

If you wish to have any written statement or representations submitted on your behalf to the Justice of the Peace or Resident Magistrate such statement or representations should be forwarded to the Authority at the above address before the expiration of the period of 14 days.

If you wish to be present when the petition is being considered, you must so inform the Authority within the said period of 14 days. You may also appoint any two persons to represent you when the petition is being considered and you may be represented by solicitor or counsel.

Copies of the petition, statutory declaration, medical report and statement of particulars which will be presented to the judicial authority are enclosed.

If at the expiration of 14 days from the date of this notice, you have not intimated your willingness to submit yourself for special care, the Authority will proceed to present the petition together with such representations as you may wish to make to a

Justice of the Peace or a Resident Magistrate and you will be notified of the date and time when the petition will be considered.

Yours faithfully,

To.....

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Section 32
Regulation 11 (8)

FORM S.C. 6A

Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority

Address.....

.....

Date.....

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE BY NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY TO A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A JUDICIAL ORDER.

Re .....

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.....

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

I have to refer to the recent consultations between you and this Authority regarding the mental condition of the above-named person and to state that having considered a report from their medical officer together with the representations put forward by you in your capacity of parent/guardian the Authority are of opinion that .....is suffering from a condition of arrested or incomplete development of mind to such an extent that in his/her own interests he/she should be dealt with as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above Act. The form of special care recommended is

.....

As you have not intimated your willingness to submit him/her for such special care I now give notice that at the expiration of 14 days from the date of this letter it is the Authority's intention to present a petition to a Justice of the Peace or a Resident Magistrate for an order authorising the Authority to provide such special care.

If you wish to have any written statement or representations submitted to the judicial authority such statement or representations should be forwarded to the Authority at the above address before the expiration of the period of 14 days.

If you wish to be present when the petition is being considered you must so inform the Authority within the said period of 14 days. You may also appoint any two persons to represent you when the petition is being considered and you may be represented by solicitor or counsel.

Copies of the petition, statutory declaration, medical report and statement of particulars which will be presented to the judicial authority are enclosed.

If at the expiration of 14 days from the date of this notice, you have not intimated your willingness to submit.....for special care, the Authority will proceed to present the petition, together with such representations as you may wish to make, to a Justice of the Peace or a Resident Magistrate and you will be notified of the date and time fixed for the consideration of the petition.

Yours faithfully,

To.....

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Section 32
Regulation 11 (9)

FORM S.C. 7

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

PETITION BY A DULY AUTHORISED OFFICER OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY FOR A JUDICIAL ORDER.

Re .....

Address.....

.....

(1) In the matter of the above named .....

(2) To....., a judicial authority:

(3) I,....., an officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority duly authorised under section 32 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948 hereby petition for an order under section 33 of that Act in respect of the said.....for :—

(*a*) placing him/her under supervision by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority

(*b*) placing him/her under the guardianship of.....

of.....

(*c*) sending him/her to and caring for him/her in..... institution.

(4) A statement of particulars, a statutory declaration and medical certificate by a medical officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority relating to the said.....accompany this petition.

Dated the.....day of.....19.....

(Signed).....

NOTE :— This petition must not be presented by an officer of the Authority who is the spouse or the relative of the person or of the spouse of the person to whom it relates.

Section 66
Regulation 11 (10)

FORM S.C. 7A

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

PETITION BY A DULY AUTHORISED OFFICER OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND HOSPITALS AUTHORITY FOR A JUDICIAL ORDER TO REPLACE A PREVIOUS JUDICIAL ORDER WHICH HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE DEFECTIVE OR BASED ON A DEFECTIVE CERTIFICATE.

Re.....

Address .....

.....

(1) In the matter of the above named.....

(2) To..... a judicial authority.

(3) I,....., an officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority duly authorised under section 32 of the Act hereby declare as follows :—

By an order attached dated..... the above-named person was declared to be a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, and was ordered to be

.....

.....

(4) Since that order was made it has been found to be defective by reason of

.....

.....

(5) Since that order was made it has been found that the medical certificate attached dated ..... signed by .....

on which the order was based is defective by reason of.....

.....

(6) I,....., therefore, petition, under section 66 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, for a new Order in respect of the said..... replacing the original order and :—

(*a*) placing him/her under supervision by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority

(*b*) placing him/her under the guardianship of.....

of.....

(*c*) sending and caring for him/her in..... Institution.

(7) The statement of particulars, statutory declaration and medical certificate which

accompanied the previous petition dated.....
accompany this petition together with a new medical certificate.

Dated this..... day of..... 19.....

(Signed).....

NOTE :— This petition must not be presented by an officer of the Authority who is the spouse or the relative of the person or of the spouse of the person to whom it relates.

Section 32
Regulation 11 (11)

FORM S.C. 8

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

STATUTORY DECLARATION

Re .....

Address.....

.....

In the matter of the above named.....
who is alleged to be a person suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind to such an extent that he/she should be declared to be a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above Act.

I, the undersigned....., being an officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority duly authorised under section 32 of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, hereby solemnly and sincerely declare as follows :—

(1) I am the person presenting the accompanying petition.

(2) The said....., named in the accompanying petition, is in my opinion a person suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind to such an extent that he/she should be declared to be a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(3) I am informed that the said....., has previously been dealt with under the above mentioned Act/the Lunacy and Mental Treatment Acts (Northern Ireland), 1821-1932/the Criminal Lunatics Acts (Northern Ireland), 1929 and 1938 and the relevant facts known to me are

.....

.....

(4) So far as I am aware the said..... has not previously been dealt with under the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, or the Lunacy and Mental Treatment Acts (Northern Ireland), 1821-1932 or the Criminal Lunatics Acts (Northern Ireland), 1929 and 1938.

(5) Other facts known to me and relevant to this petition are

.....

.....

I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1835.

Declared by the said

.....

at

.....

on the.....day of

.....

Before me
Signed.....
Justice of the Peace/Commissioner of Oaths.

Signed.....

Date.....

Section 33
Regulation 11 (12)

FORM S.C. 9

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

JUDICIAL ORDER

Re .....

Address.....

.....

I, the undersigned, ... being a Resident Magistrate/Justice of the Peace, having considered the documents annexed hereto, namely —

(1) The petition of....., a duly authorised officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority, in the matter of the above named person :

(2) The statement of particulars by..... accompanying the petition.

(3) The statutory declaration of .....

(4) The medical certificate of .....

(5) The notice by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority of intention to apply for a judicial order

(6) The representations put forward by.....

and being satisfied that in the interests of the said..... or in the public interest that it is necessary to do so hereby declare that the said

.....is a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

And I hereby order the said..... to

(*a*) remain in the care of..... subject to supervision by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority ;

(*b*) be placed under the guardianship of..... whom I hereby appoint to be his/her guardian ;

(*c*) be sent to and cared for in.....Institution.

(7) I visited / I did not visit ——— the said .....and
I required / I did not require ——— his/her attendance before me before signing this order.

Dated this.....day of.....19..

Signed.....

Address.....

.....

.....

Section 65
Regulation 11 (13)

FORM S.C. 10

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF RECEPTION UNDER SUPERVISION

Re .....

Address .....

.....

(1) I hereby give notice that the above-named person came under the supervision of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority on..... as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(2) The patient will be under the care of..... of ..... whose relationship to the patient is.....

(3) I transmit copies of the documents upon which special care was authorised.

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
An Authorised Officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (13)

FORM S.C. 10A

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF RECEPTION UNDER GUARDIANSHIP

PART I

(*To be completed by the guardian and forwarded to the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority*)

Re .....

I, ... of .....
.....hereby give notice that the above-named formerly residing at.....
was received into my guardianship as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, on the.....
.....day of.....19.....

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....

PART II

(*To be completed by the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority and forwarded to the Ministry of Health and Local Government*)

Copies are enclosed of the documents upon which special care was authorised in respect of the above-named patient.

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
An Authorised Officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (13)

FORM S.C. 10B

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

.....INSTITUTION

NOTICE OF RECEPTION INTO AN INSTITUTION

(To be forwarded to the Ministry of Health and Local Government within 3 days of reception).

Re.....

Regd. No.....

(1) I hereby give notice that the above-named.....
formerly residing at.....
was received into my charge in the.....
Institution as a person requiring special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, on the.....
day of.....19.....

(2) I transmit copies of the documents upon which special care was authorised.

(3) A statement with respect to the mental and bodily condition of the patient is enclosed/will be forwarded before the expiration of 10 days from the date of reception.

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (14)

FORM S.C. 11

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

.....INSTITUTION

MEDICAL STATEMENT

Re..... Regd. No.....

I have this day seen and examined the above-named person who was admitted to this institution on .....day of.....19
and I hereby certify that the mental state of the patient is as follows :—

Diagnosis :— .....
Report on present mental condition (including ability to manage his/her affairs) :—
.....
.....
and his/her bodily health and condition is as follows :—
.....
.....
.....

Dated this.....*day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.
* The medical report must be forwarded within ten clear days from the admission of the patient.

Section 100
Regulation 11 (15)

FORM S.C. 12

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

CONSENT BY JUDICIAL AUTHORITY TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN OF A DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS PERSUASION FROM THAT OF THE PATIENT.

I, the undersigned.....
being a Resident Magistrate/Justice of the Peace hereby consent to
.....of .....
who has been declared to be a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above Act and whose religious persuasion is.....
being placed under the guardianship of.....
of .....whose religious persuasion is.....

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Address .....
.....

Sections 39 and 40
Regulation 11 (16)

FORM S.C. 13

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

SPECIAL REPORT AND CERTIFICATE

Re..... Regd. No.....

Address.....
.....

Type of special care being provided : Supervision/Guardianship/Institutional.
Type of treatment authorisation Consent/Judicial Order.

Date of expiry of treatment authorisation :.....

I have to-day examined the above-named person and hereby certify that in my opinion he/she continues to require special care within the meaning of the Mental Health Act (Northern Ireland), 1948 and :—

His/Her mental condition is :—.....
.....

His/Her physical condition is :—.....
.....

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Authorised Medical Officer/
Resident Medical Superintendent.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Sections 39 and 40
Regulation 11 (17)

FORM S.C. 14

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

ORDER BY MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONTINUING A TREATMENT AUTHORISATION

Re ..... Regd. No. .....

Address .....

.....

Type of special care being provided .....

Type of treatment authorisation .....

Date of expiry of treatment authorisation .....

The Ministry of Health and Local Government having considered the requisite report and certificate with regard to the above-mentioned person, and being satisfied that the continuance of the above-mentioned treatment authorisation is required in his/her interests or the public interest hereby sanctions the continuance in force of the treatment authorisation until .....

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19 .

Signed .....
Assistant Secretary,
Ministry of Health and Local Government.

To The Secretary,
Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (18)

FORM S.C. 15

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF DISCHARGE

Re ..... Regd. No. .....

Address .....

.....

Type of treatment authorisation .....

I hereby give you notice that the above patient received into .....
Institution/my guardianship on the ..... day of .....
was discharged therefrom on the ..... day of .....
The discharge was effected on the authority of .....

.....

Dated this ..... day of ....., 19 .

Signed .....
Resident Medical Superintendent/
Guardian

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (19)

FORM S.C. 16

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE

Re .....Regd. No.....

Address.....

.....

Type of Treatment Authorisation.....

(1) I hereby give you notice that the above-named patient received into.....
.....Institution/my guardianship absented himself/herself therefrom on the.....day of.....
without authority.

*(2) The state of mind of the patient at that date was.....
.....

(3) The circumstances attending the unathorised absence were as follows :—
.....
.....
.....

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent/
Guardian

* Not to be completed if the patient is under guardianship.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (20)

FORM S.C. 17

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF RETURN OF PATIENT

Re.....Regd. No. .....

Address.....
.....

Type of Treatment Authorisation.....

I hereby give you notice that the above patient who was received into.....
.....Institution/my guardianship on the.....
day of.....19 , and absented himself/herself therefrom
on the.....day of.....19 , returned
on the.....day of.....19 under the
following circumstances :—.....
.....
.....

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent/
Guardian.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (21)

FORM S.C. 18

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF TRANSFER

Re.....Regd. No.....

Address.....

.....

Type of Treatment Authorisation.....

I hereby give notice that the above-named patient who was received into .....Institution/my guardianship on the.....day of.....19 , was on the.....day of.....19 , transferred to.....by the authority of.....for the following reasons :—

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.....

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent/
Guardian.

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (22)

FORM S.C. 19

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

NOTICE OF DEATH

(Supervision and Guardianship)

Re.....Regd. No. .....

Address.....

.....

Type of Treatment Authorisation.....

(1) I hereby give notice that the above-named patient

received under my guardianship / placed under supervision on.....day of.....19 , died on the.....day of.....19 , and that.....was present at the death of the said patient.

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....
Guardian/Parent

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (22)

FORM S.C. 19A

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

.....INSTITUTION

NOTICE OF DEATH

Re .....Regd. No.....

Type of Treatment Authorisation .....

I hereby give notice that the above-named patient in.....

Institution died therein on the.....day of.....

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent.

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland.

STATEMENT RESPECTING THE ABOVE-NAMED PATIENT

Sex and Age.....Married, single, or widowed.....

Profession or occupation.....

Usual residence (postal address) before admission. If the patient has been transferred from another Hospital or Institution the place of residence before admission to the first Hospital or Institution should be given. .....
.....
.....

I. CAUSE OF DEATH

Immediate cause* *a.* .....

Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause). *b.* .....
c. .....

II.

Other morbid conditions (if important) contributing to death but not related to immediate cause. .....
.....

* This means the disease, injury or complication which caused death, not the mode of dying, *e.g.*, not such as heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc.

Whether or not ascertained by post-mortem examination .....

Time of and any unusual circumstances attending the death; also a description of any injuries known to exist at time of death or found subsequently on body of deceased, or a statement that there were none. .....
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.....

Names and description of persons present at the death .....
.....

I hereby certify that the particulars contained in the above statement are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed.....
Resident Medical Superintendent.

Dated the.....day of.....19 .

Section 100
Regulations 11 (23) and 59.

FORM S.C. 20

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

ESCORT CERTIFICATE

I, ... of .....

a duly authorised medical officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority, hereby certify that..... of .....

is a person requiring special care within the meaning of the above-mentioned Act and having examined the said.....

am satisfied that a police escort is required for ensuring his/her safe conveyance to

.....

Signed.....

Date.....

Section 55
Regulations 11 (24) and 45.

FORM S.C. 21

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

.....INSTITUTION

TRANSFER OF PATIENT

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE TO ACCOMPANY THE PATIENT ON TRANSFER

I, ...Resident Medical Superintendent of the above-named institution hereby certify that, in my opinion, the patient

.....(Regd. No.....)

admitted to this institution on the.....day of.....

may be safely removed to.....in the following manner :—

(1) Mode of conveyance.....

(2) Nurse attendance required .....

(3) Whether any, and if so, what special precautions are required.....

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The patient is a person requiring special care under the above Act.

His physical condition is as follows :—.....

.....

A copy of/Extracts from the patient's clinical record is/are enclosed.

Dated this.....day of.....19

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Resident Medical Superintendent.

Section 41
Regulation 11 (25)

FORM S.C. 22

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

WARRANT AUTHORISING AN OFFICER OR CONSTABLE OF POLICE TO SEARCH FOR A PERSON ALLEGED TO BE SUFFERING FROM ARRESTED OR INCOMPLETE DEVELOPMENT OF MIND AND ABANDONED OR CRUELLY TREATED.

Re .....(*insert full name*)

Address .....

.....

Information having been given to me on oath that the above-named is a person alleged to be suffering from arrested or incomplete development of mind and :—

* (1) is not under proper care or control,

or

(2) is being cruelly treated or neglected,

I do hereby direct and authorise any officer or constable of police accompanied by a medical officer of the Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority to enter any premises where the said .....is and to remove the said .....to a place of safety.

Signed.....

* Resident Magistrate or a Justice of the Peace.

Address.....

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Dated this.....day of.....19 .

* Delete whichever is inapplicable.

Section 65
Regulation 11 (26).

FORM S.C. 23

MENTAL HEALTH ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948

.....INSTITUTION

NOTICE OF RETURN OF A PATIENT TEMPORARILY REMOVED OR TRANSFERRED

Name of patient.....Regd. No.....

I hereby give you notice that the above-named patient temporarily removed/transferred from this institution to.....returned to this institution on the.....day of.....19 .

Signed.....

Resident Medical Superintendent.

Dated this.....day of.....19 .

To The Ministry of Health and Local Government.