(3) All letters addressed by a patient to the Minister of Health or the Board of Control or any Commissioner thereof shall be inspected by the Medical Superintendent before such letters are forwarded to the addressee."

Sealed with the Common Seal of the Board of Control this thirteenth day of October, 1952, in the presence of

(L.S.) *H. C. Bleakley*, Secretary.

Approved *Iain Macleod*, Minister of Health.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Rules amend the Broadmoor Institutions Rules, 1952, by authorising the Medical Superintendent to inspect patients' letters addressed to the Minister of Health, the Board of Control or any Commissioner of the Board prior to transmission to the addressee.

MAGISTRATES COURTS

PETTY SESSIONAL DIVISIONS

1952 No. 385

The Petty Sessional Divisions (Review) Regulations, 1952

Made - - - - 26*th February*, 1952
Coming into Operation 10*th March*, 1952

In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by subsections (5), (6) and (7) of section eighteen of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1949(a), I hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. Any objections by an interested authority to the proposals of a committee sent to the authority in pursuance of paragraph (*b*) of subsection (5) of section eighteen of the Act shall be made in writing and sent to the clerk to the committee within one month of the date when a copy of the proposals is sent to the authority.

2.—(1) Where a committee submits a draft order or a report to the Secretary of State under section eighteen of the Act, it shall cause notice of the submission to be—

(*a*) sent to the clerk of the county council, the clerk to the justices for any existing petty sessional division in the area and, in the case of a draft order, the clerk to any interested authority;

(*b*) published in at least one newspaper circulating in the area;

(*c*) posted and kept posted for a month at or near the entrance to every petty sessional court house in the area.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 101.

(2) A notice under the foregoing paragraph shall contain—

(*a*) a statement of the effect of the draft order or the report;

(*b*) information as to the places and times at which a copy of the draft order or the report can be inspected;

(*c*) a statement as to the manner in which, and the time within which, any objections for consideration by the Secretary of State are required to be made under Regulation 3 of these Regulations.

3. Where a committee submits a draft order or a report to the Secretary of State under section eighteen of the Act, any objections thereto shall be made in writing and sent to the Under Secretary of State, Home Office, Whitehall, London, S.W.1, by a date which shall be specified in any notice under Regulation 2 of these Regulations and which shall not be less than one month from the date when the notice is sent or first published or posted, as the case may be.

4. Any objections to an order which the Secretary of State proposes to make otherwise than in accordance with a draft submitted to him by a committee shall be made in writing and shall be sent to the Under Secretary of State at the address aforesaid—

(*a*) where the objection is made by the committee, the county council, the magistrates of an existing petty sessional division in the area or an interested authority, within one month of the date when a copy of the Secretary of State's proposals is sent to the objector;

(*b*) in any other case, within one month from the date when notice of the Secretary of State's proposals is first published in a newspaper circulating in the area.

5.—(1) In these Regulations—

"committee" means a magistrates' courts committee established under section sixteen of the Act acting for a county;

"interested authority" has the meaning assigned to it by section eighteen of the Act;

"the Act" means the Justices of the Peace Act, 1949;

"the area" means the area to which a proposed order or a report under section eighteen of the Act relates;

and other expressions have the meanings assigned to them in section forty-four of the Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**a**), shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

6. These Regulations may be cited as the Petty Sessional Divisions (Review) Regulations, 1952, and shall come into operation on the tenth day of March, 1952.

David Maxwell Fyfe,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
26th February, 1952.

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations prescribe, in relation to reports and proposed orders under section 18 of the Justices of the Peace Act, 1949, with respect to the division of a county into petty sessional divisions, requirements as to notice and as to the manner in which, and the times within which, objections may be made.

PROCEDURE

1952 No. 2190 (L. 18)

The Magistrates' Courts Rules, 1952

Made - - - -	*17th December,* 1952
Laid before Parliament	*18th December,* 1952
Coming into Operation	*1st June,* 1953

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