STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 2372

POLICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Police (Amendment) Regulations 2014

Made - - - -	*1st September 2014*
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The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 50(1), (2)(b) and (c) and (4) of the Police Act 1996(**a**).

In accordance with section 50(2ZC)(**b**) of that Act, the text of these Regulations has been approved by the College of Policing.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Police (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and come into force on 1st October 2014.

Amendments to the Police Regulations 2003

2. The Police Regulations 2003(**c**) are amended as follows.

3. In regulation 3, after the definition of "Conduct Regulations" insert—

> ""DE Superintendent Programme" means a programme for the time being recognised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of these Regulations as the Direct Entry (Superintendent) Programme;
>
> "DE superintendent" means a superintendent participating in the DE Superintendent Programme;
>
> "FT Programme" means a programme for the time being recognised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of these Regulations as the Constable to Inspector Fast Track Programme;".

4. In regulation 10—

(a) after sub-paragraph (1)(i) insert—

(**a**) 1996 c. 16. Section 50 was amended by paragraph 3 of Schedule 22 to the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4), section 3 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009 (c. 26), section 82(12) of, and paragraph 32 of Schedule 16 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13) and section 123(1) of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12).

(**b**) Section 50(2ZC) was inserted by section 123(1) of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (c. 12), with effect from 13th May 2014 (S.I. 2014/949). Section 123 was the subject of a correction slip published on 4th August 2014.

(**c**) S.I. 2003/527.

"(j) must, if a candidate for appointment under the FT Programme or the DE Superintendent Programme, have passed the assessment centre in respect of that programme.";

(b) in paragraph (3), after the definition of "armed forces" insert—

"(aa) "assessment centre" means the assessment centre approved by the College of Policing for the purposes of the FT Programme or, as the case may be, the DE Programme;".

5. In regulation 12—

(a) in the heading omit "in the rank of constable";

(b) for paragraph (1), substitute—

"(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), a member of a police force—

(a) appointed in the rank of constable, other than such a member who transferred to the force from another police force having completed the required period of probation therein; or

(b) in the case of a DE superintendent, appointed in the rank of superintendent,

shall be on probation for such period as the Secretary of State shall determine in respect of such appointments.".

6. In regulation 13—

(a) in paragraph (1)—

(i) after "the services of a constable", insert "or DE superintendent";

(ii) after "or well conducted constable", insert "or superintendent";

(b) in paragraph (2), after "constable", insert "or DE superintendent";

(c) in paragraph (3), after "constable's", insert "or DE superintendent's";

(d) in paragraph (4), after "constable", insert "or DE superintendent".

Home Office
1st September 2014

Mike Penning
Minister of State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Police Regulations 2003 ("the 2003 Regulations") to permit individuals to join the police force at the rank of superintendent as part of the Direct Entry (Superintendent) Programme and to permit those taking part in the Fast Track Programme to be promoted more quickly from the rank of constable to inspector.

Regulation 10 of the 2003 Regulations is amended to add passing the assessment centres for participation in the Direct Entry (Superintendent) Programme and the Constable to Inspector Fast Track Programme as qualifications for appointment to a police force. Regulations 12 and 13 are amended to allow a DE superintendent to be on probation and to be discharged during probation if unsuitable.

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

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