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PRISON RULES

RULES, DATED 1ST MARCH 1973, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE PRISON ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1953.

The Ministry of Home Affairs on behalf of the Secretary of State and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 13 of the Prison Act (Northern Ireland) 1953(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Rules:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Prison (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 5th March 1973.

Interpretation

2. The expression "the Principal Rules" means the Prison Rules (Northern Ireland) 1954(b).

Amendment of the Principal Rules

3. For paragraphs (3), (3A), (3B) and (4) of Rule 177 of the Principal Rules there shall be substituted the following paragraphs:—

"(3) The Reviewing Body shall, thereafter, review the case of each Borstal prisoner at intervals of not longer than three months.

(4) Promotion from grade to grade or reduction in grade, otherwise than as an award for an offence against discipline, shall be decided upon by a majority of members of the Reviewing Body present at a meeting after taking into consideration the written advice of the Governor."

4. In paragraph (6) of Rule 177 of the Principal Rules after the word "Body" there shall be inserted the following words:—"by a majority after taking into consideration the written advice of the Governor".

5. In paragraph (2) of Rule 178 of the Principal Rules for the words from the beginning to the words "that is to say" there shall be substituted the following words:—"The Reviewing Body by a majority after taking into consideration the written advice of the Governor shall decide when a Borstal prisoner is suitable for special treatment which may include any one or more of the following, that is to say:—".

Revocation

6. The Principal Rules are revoked to the extent indicated in the Schedule.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs this 1st day of March 1973 in the presence of

(L.S.)

G. Buchanan,
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1953. c. 18. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1954, No. 7.

SCHEDULE RULE 6

REVOCATION OF THE PRINCIPAL RULES

Paragraph (5) of Rule 177
Paragraph (1) of Rule 178
Paragraph (1) of Rule 179

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Rules revise the powers and duties of the Reviewing Body and increase that Body's power to encourage the progress and development of Borstal Prisoners.