STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 1884

PROBATION AND AFTER-CARE

The Probation Rules 1967

Made - - - 14*th December* 1967

Coming into Operation 1*st January* 1968

In pursuance of the power conferred on me by Schedule 5 to the Criminal Justice Act 1948(a), I hereby make the following Rules:—

1. For Rule 25(1) and (2) of the Probation Rules 1965(b) (which Rule relates to confirmation of appointment of a probation officer) there shall be substituted the following paragraphs:—

"(1) A probation officer who has not been confirmed in his appointment in Great Britain and who before his appointment has successfully completed a course of training approved by the Advisory Council for Probation and After-Care shall not hold office for more than an aggregate period of twelve months or, in a special case, such further period not exceeding twelve months as may be allowed by the probation committee, unless his continuance in office has been confirmed by the probation committee, but either of those periods may be followed by such further period as may be necessary to enable due notice of the termination of his appointment to be given.

(2) A probation officer in whose case paragraph (1) of this Rule does not apply shall not hold office for more than an aggregate period of twelve months or such further period not exceeding twelve months as may be allowed by the Secretary of State, unless his continuance in office in Great Britain has been confirmed by the Secretary of State at the request of the probation committee, but either of those periods may be followed by such further period as may be necessary to enable due notice of the termination of the appointment to be given. Before refusing to confirm an appointment under this paragraph the Secretary of State shall take into consideration any representation made by the probation committee or the probation officer.".

2. In Rule 28(1) of the Probation Rules 1965 (which paragraph relates to the appointment of higher ranks in the probation service) for the words "a probation officer" there shall be substituted the words "a person".

3. At the end of Rule 52 of the Probation Rules 1965 (which Rule provides for interpretation) there shall be added the following paragraph:—

"(4) Any reference in these Rules to a probation committee shall be construed as a reference to a probation and after-care committee.".

(a) 1948 c. 58. (b) S.I. 1965/723 (1965 I, p. 2236).

4. These Rules may be cited as the Probation Rules 1967 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1968.

James Callaghan,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
14th December 1967.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules.)

These Rules make fresh provision in relation to the confirmation of appointment of probation officers who have passed an approved course of training. They amend the provisions relating to the confirmation of appointment of other probation officers and to the appointment of higher ranks in the probation service and provide for the construction of references to probation committees.