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Allowances.

THE ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY ALLOWANCES (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER, 1929, DATED 31ST DECEMBER, 1929.

1929. No. 174.

I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR R. DAWSON BATES, Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 2 of the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, and by Sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Act, 1919, as applied by the said Act of 1922 and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, do hereby order that the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances Order, 1922, dated 6th November, 1922, the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances (Amending) Order, 1925, dated 10th February, 1925, and the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances (Amending) Order, 1927, dated 1st February, 1927, be cancelled and that the appended schedule be substituted therefor. Articles 5, 6 and 12 (*a*) and (*b*) shall, notwithstanding anything contained in any previous Order, have effect as from the 1st April, 1929, and the remainder of the schedule shall have effect as from the date hereof.

And I certify that Sub-section (2) of Section 4 of the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Act, 1919, which provides that a draft of any Order proposed to be made under the said Section shall be submitted to the representative body or bodies constituted by the Act, and representing any rank or ranks affected, and that before making the Order the Ministry of Home Affairs shall consider any representations made by such body or bodies, has been fully observed:

This Order may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary Allowances (Consolidation) Order, 1929.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1929.

R. Dawson Bates.
Minister of Home Affairs for
Northern Ireland.

I, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE HUGH MCDOWELL POLLOCK, Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland, hereby signify my concurrence in the foregoing Order and Schedule thereto.

Dated this 31st day of December, 1929.

H. M. Pollock.
Minister of Finance for
Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING ORDER.

1. Rent Allowance.

(1) Rent Allowance at the following rates shall be payable where official quarters are not provided to all officers of the Force, to married members of the Force up to and including the rank of Head Constable and to single members of the Force who are residing with and are the sole support of a widowed mother.

(*a*)	Inspector General	£120 a year
(*b*)	Deputy Inspector General and Commissioner, Belfast ..	£100 a year
(*c*)	County Inspectors at Headquarters	£100 a year
(*d*)	County Inspectors and Medical Officer	£80 a year
(*e*)	District Inspectors in Cities of Belfast and Londonderry	£80 a year
	District Inspectors elsewhere	£60 a year
	Provided that where an Officer is entitled to Separation Allowance under Article 3, he shall be paid for 61 nights the Rent Allowance appropriate to the station from which he has been transferred.	
(*f*)	Head Constables	£36 a year
(*g*)	Sergeants and Constables where the wife and/or family of the Sergeant or Constable reside in :—	
	(i) Northern Ireland—£13 a year in rural districts and small towns : (The Minister of Home Affairs shall have power to increase the amount to a sum not exceeding a maximum of £18 in larger towns if necessary) ; £26 a year in the City of Londonderry and £30 a year in the City of Belfast.	
	(ii) Irish Free State	£16 per annum.
	(iii) Great Britain	£20 per annum.

(2) The following conditions shall govern the grant of rent allowances to members of the Force up to and including the rank of Head Constable.

The rate normally payable shall be that applicable to the place where the family resides but where the rent allowance at the place of residence of the family would be at a rate higher than that applicable to the station of the member of the Force, the Ministry of Home Affairs before allowing payment at the higher rate must be satisfied that suitable accommodation for the family cannot be obtained at the station of the member or that it would not be desirable for police reasons to bring the family to such station.

Rent allowance shall not be payable where a family, when required to do so, does not occupy official quarters.

Rent allowance may be paid to a married member of the Force accommodated in official quarters if he has to provide elsewhere for the accommodation of his wife and/or family.

Where a family leaves Northern Ireland or removes to an area within Northern Ireland in respect of which a rate higher than that applicable to the original place of residence or the man's station is payable, application for payment at the higher rate will be considered on its merits.

2. Subsistence Allowance.

(*a*) When any member of the Force is absent from his station on duty, the following scale shall apply when a night's absence is not involved ;—

	8 hours and under 12 hours.	12 hours and over.
Constables and Sergeants ..	3/6	5/-
Head Constables	4/-	6/-
Officers	5/-	7/-

(*b*) When a night's absence is involved, subsistence allowance as set out under Classes 1, 2 and 3 hereunder, shall be paid in respect of each night at any one place, provided that where separation allowance is payable, the rate of subsistence allowance in Class 1 or Class 2, as the case may be, shall be reduced by the amount of separation allowance.

CLASS 1.

Where neither Barrack accommodation nor Messing facilities are available—

	First 14 nights in any one place.*	After 14 nights or after 5 nights if the member of the Force knew beforehand that his stay would exceed 14 nights.	After 30 nights.
Constables and Sergeants ..	10/–	7/6	5/–
Head Constables	12/–	9/–	6/–
Officers	20/–	15/–	10/–

* A temporary increase of 25% shall be allowed on these rates for the first five nights in any one place.

CLASS 2.

Where Barrack accommodation is provided but where no Messing facilities are available—

	First 14 nights in any one place	After 14 nights or after 5 nights if the member of the Force knew beforehand that his stay would exceed 14 nights.	After 30 nights.
Constables and Sergeants ..	5/–	3/9	2/6
Head Constables	6/–	4/6	3/–
Officers	10/–	7/6	5/–

Neither Class 1 nor Class 2 Subsistence Allowance shall be paid continuously for a period in excess of 61 nights without the prior authority of the Ministry of Home Affairs, and the Ministry, if satisfied of the necessity, will seek the sanction of the Ministry of Finance for the continuance of payment for a further specified period.

CLASS 3.

Where both Barrack accommodation and Messing facilities are available—

	Not exceeding 7 nights.
Constables and Sergeants	1/–
Head Constables	2/–
Officers	3/6

Class 3 Subsistence Allowance shall not be payable to members of the Force in receipt of Separation Allowance.

(c) Members of the Force who are under suspension and are not reinstated shall receive in lieu of ordinary pay a special Subsistence Allowance at the rate of 10/– a day for officers, 6/– a day for Head Constables and 5/– a day for Sergeants and Constables.

3. SEPARATION ALLOWANCE.

Constables and Sergeants	2/–
Head Constables	2/6
Officers	5/–

Payment may be made at the aforementioned rates for a period not exceeding 61 nights to married members of the Force who are necessarily separated from their families as a result of transfer or other action of their authorities.

When a married member of the Force in receipt of rent allowance is transferred to a station where Barrack accommodation is available, but owing to short notice of transfer is still liable for payment of rent of lodgings at former station, he may be paid separation allowance for the period of such liability not exceeding one month.

4. CYCLING ALLOWANCE.

Constables, Sergeants and Head Constables.

£3 a year for maintenance of own cycle, certified by the District Inspector as being necessary for and used on the Public Service, and 2d. per mile (subject to a limit of £1 a month) for distance travelled on duty as defined by the existing Regulations (being over three miles from station).

5. STAFF ALLOWANCES.

(*a*) Officers employed continuously at Headquarters.

(1)	County Inspectors	£240 a year
(2)	District Inspectors	£160 ,, ,,

(*b*) Officers employed continuously at the Depot.

(1)	Commandant	£120 a year
(2)	Police Instructor (District Inspector)	£160 ,, ,,
(3)	District Inspectors	£120 ,, ,,

(*c*) Officers in receipt of staff allowances shall be required to provide means of locomotion to the satisfaction of the Inspector General.

6. TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES.

(1) *Locomotion Allowance.*

(*a*) Inspector General, Deputy Inspector General, County Inspectors (including the Commissioner, Belfast) £160 a year, subject, as regards County Inspectors, to the Inspector General being satisfied with the means of locomotion provided.

(*b*) District Inspectors £120 a year, subject to the Inspector General being satisfied with the means of locomotion provided.

(*c*) Locomotion Allowance shall not be payable to County or District Inspectors employed continuously at the Depot or Headquarters and who are in receipt of a Staff Allowance under Art. 5, and Locomotion Allowance shall not be payable to the Inspector General and Deputy Inspector General if, in the opinion of the Minister of Home Affairs, the exigencies of the public service do not require that they should provide their own means of locomotion.

(*d*) The Locomotion Allowances payable to County Inspectors and District Inspectors cover all travelling expenses incurred in respect of journeys within the County in which the officer concerned is stationed, and the Locomotion Allowances (if any) payable to the Inspector General and Deputy Inspector General, and the Staff Allowances under Art. 5 payable to officers at the Depot and Headquarters cover all travelling expenses incurred in respect of journeys within a radius of 50 miles from Belfast or from the Depot as the case may be.

(2) *Travelling Expenses paid otherwise than by Locomotion Allowance.*

(*a*) Officers: A cadet necessarily proceeding from his station on official duty shall receive travelling expenses at the cheapest rate of conveyance as certified having regard to the circumstances of the case.

(*b*) An officer in receipt of Locomotion Allowance or of a Staff Allowance under Art. 5 necessarily proceeding from his station on official duty to a place outside his county shall receive travelling expenses at the cheapest rate of conveyance as certified, having regard to the circumstances of the case, but an officer stationed at Headquarters or at the Depot shall not be deemed for the purpose of this Article to have proceeded outside his county until he reaches a radius of 50 miles from Belfast, or from the Depot, as the case may be.

(c) Other ranks: Head Constables, Sergeants and Constables will be repaid their actual travelling expenses when travelling on duty other than patrol duty. In all cases the least expensive mode of conveyance, having regard to the circumstances, must be utilised and all claims for travelling expenses should be certified by the District Inspector. Where railway facilities are used, Head Constables may travel 2nd class, if available, otherwise 3rd class, and Sergeants and Constables, 3rd class.

Men employed as duly certificated Shorthand Notetakers at public meetings shall receive second class travelling expenses when so employed.

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7. Boot Allowance.

Constables, Sergeants and Head Constables—1/6d per week.

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8. Uniform Allowance.

An allowance of £50 shall be paid to a Head Constable on promotion to the rank of District Inspector and to an officer on first appointment. In the case of a Cadet, the allowance shall be payable on appointment to the rank of District Inspector.

All officers shall receive an allowance of £15 a year for maintenance of uniform thereafter.

9. Detective and Plain Clothes Allowance.

(a) Men engaged on detective work shall receive 7/– a week to cover casual expenses incidental thereto, and in addition they, and also men performing plain clothes duty, shall receive for plain clothes—

Sergeants and Constables	5/– a week.
Head Constables	7/– ,, ,,

(b) Men engaged on casual duty in plain clothes shall not be paid the plain clothes allowance unless so employed for a full week, not necessarily consecutive days, within a calendar month.

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10. Shorthand Notetakers.

Men employed as duly certificated Shorthand Notetakers shall be paid an allowance at the rate of £6 per annum, provided they pass the requisite speed tests at stated intervals.

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11. Clerical Allowance.

Station Sergeants in the City of Belfast, the Station Sergeant, Londonderry, Sergeants employed as principal Clerks to County Inspectors, Commandant at Depot and Commissioners of Belfast and Londonderry, two Sergeants employed at the Inspector General's Headquarters and the Assistant Storekeeper at the Depot, if a Sergeant, shall receive an allowance of £1 per month; and Constables permanently employed as principal Clerks to District Inspectors in Belfast and Londonderry, shall receive an allowance of £1 per month.

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12. Miscellaneous Allowances for Special Duties.

(a) One District Inspector as Assistant to Commissioner, Belfast	£75 a year.
(b) One District Inspector as Officer in charge of the Detective Branch, Belfast	£25 a year.
(c) One District Inspector as Commissioner, Londonderry Borough	£75 a year.

(*d*) Head or other Constables, qualified as Motor Transport fitters, Drivers or Storemen, and allocated by the Inspector General to such duties :—

As Fitters	1/- a day.
As Drivers	6d. a day.
As Storemen (M.T.)	1/- a day.

The following limitations are placed on the payment of these allowances :—

1. The allowances are only payable when the Inspector General approves in the case of—
   (*a*) Drivers—that they are competent to take charge of the vehicle, and
   (*b*) Fitters and Storekeepers—that they are efficient at their trade.
2. The allowances are liable to stoppage—
   (*a*) For misconduct, and
   (*b*) For inefficiency.
3. Men who are injured on duty or by reason of their duty without default will receive the allowance during the period they are non-effective.
4. Men who are non-effective from other causes will receive the allowance for a period of non-effectiveness not exceeding 14 days.

13.

In the case of duty of an exceptional character, or in any special circumstances not otherwise provided for in this Schedule, the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland may fix such allowances as he shall consider to be appropriate.

14.

None of the allowances specified in this Schedule shall be taken into account for the purpose of computing the pension or gratuity of any member of the Force or the pension, gratuity or allowance of the wife, child or dependant of any member of the Force.

15. GENERAL.

For the purposes of this Order (1) an unmarried man who resides with his widowed mother and is her sole support or (2) a widower who has one or more children under 16 years of age residing with him will be treated as a married man. When such child or children have reached the age of 16 and where the circumstances of the case warrant such a procedure, continued payment of allowance may be made at the discretion of the Ministry of Home Affairs. Cases of widowers who have one or more children living apart from them or of married members of the Force who live apart from their wives under the terms of a legal separation or, generally, who have not necessarily to provide accommodation for their wives and/or children will be dealt with on their merits, and allowance will be withheld or varied at the discretion of the Ministry of Home Affairs according to circumstances.

Pensions.

THE ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY PENSIONS (AMENDING) ORDER, 1929, DATED 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1929.

1929. No. 90.

I, the Right Honourable Sir R. Dawson Bates, Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 2 of the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland) 1922, and by Sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Act, 1919, as applied by the said