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POLICE

Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1985

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To be laid before Parliament	

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of section 25 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(**a**), and after consulting, in accordance with section 34(2) of the said Act, the Police Authority for Northern Ireland and the Police Association for Northern Ireland, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) (Amendment) Regulations 1985 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1985.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations any reference to the principal regulations is a reference to the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) Regulations 1981(**b**).

Period of probation for constable promoted sergeant

3. In regulation 6 of the principal regulations the proviso shall be omitted.

Promotion of persons selected for Police Staff College special course

4. There shall be substituted for regulation 8 of the principal regulations the following regulation:—

"*Promotion of persons selected for Police Staff College special course*

8.—(1) Notwithstanding any provision of the foregoing regulations but without prejudice to his promotion in accordance therewith, a member who has been selected for the first or second part of a course of training at the Police Staff College designated by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this regulation and commencing on or after 1st April 1985 (hereafter respectively referred to as "Part I of the special course" and "Part II of the special course") shall be promoted in accordance with the following provisions of these regulations.

(2)A member shall be promoted as aforesaid whether or not there is a vacancy in the authorised establishment for the rank to which he is to be promoted, and unless and until a member promoted as aforesaid is designated to fill any such vacancy as may from time to time occur, his promotion shall be without prejudice to the promotion of any other member to fill such a vacancy.".

(**a**) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163
(**b**) S.R. 1981 No. 19 as amended by S.R. 1983 No. 113

Constable promoted sergeant on selection for the special course

5. There shall be substituted for regulation 9 of the principal regulations the following regulation:—

"*Constable promoted sergeant on selection for the special course*

9.—(1) A member holding the rank of constable who is qualified under regulation 4(1) for promotion to the rank of sergeant and who is selected for Part I of the special course shall, on 1st September in the year immediately preceding the year in which he is to attend that Part of the course, be promoted to the rank of sergeant.

(2) In calculating for the purposes of regulation 6 the period of probationary service to be completed by a member promoted to the rank of sergeant, there shall be disregarded any period spent by the member on Part I of the special course.".

Sergeant promoted inspector on completion of Part II of special course

6. There shall be substituted for regulation 10 of the principal regulations the following regulation:—

"*Sergeant promoted inspector on completion of Part II of special course*

10.—(1) A member—

(*a*) who is selected for Part II of the special course;

(*b*) who immediately before the date on which he is to take up his place on that Part of the course, holds the rank of sergeant (whether by virtue of regulation 9 or otherwise); and

(*c*) who under regulation 4(3) is qualified for promotion to the rank of inspector,

shall, on the said date, be promoted temporarily to the rank of inspector.

(2) Where such a member as is mentioned in paragraph (1) completes Part II of the course and the Commandant or Deputy Commandant of the Police Staff College issues a certificate that he has passed, he shall forthwith be promoted by virtue of this paragraph, to the rank of inspector.

(3) Notwithstanding regulation 9(2), there shall be taken into account in calculating the period of service as a sergeant required under regulation 4(3) for promotion to the rank of inspector any period spent by a member on Part I of the special course.

(4) A member who is promoted under this regulation to the rank of inspector shall be on probation in that rank until he has completed a year's service in that rank in the performance of ordinary police duty.".

Douglas Hurd
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
4th March 1985

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations amend the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Promotion) Regulations 1981 (the principal regulations) which govern promotion to the ranks of sergeant and inspector in the Royal Ulster Constabulary with effect from 1st April 1985.

Regulation 3 amends regulation 6 of the principal regulations so as to remove the proviso, which excludes temporary promotion in calculating periods of probation.

Regulation 4 provides that promotion of a person who has been selected for the first or second part of a course of training at the College designated by the Secretary of State for the purposes of that regulation is to be in accordance with regulations 5 and 6.

Regulation 5 provides for the promotion of a constable who is selected for Part I of the special course to the rank of sergeant on 1st September in the year preceding the year in which his course is held.

Regulation 6 provides for the temporary promotion of a sergeant to inspector at the commencement of Part II of the special course, and for his confirmation in that rank on his successful completion of the Part.