Examinations : Secondary School Certificates.

REGULATIONS, DATED THE 27TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 99 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THAT SECTION.

1944. No. 87.

1. These Regulations may be cited as " The Secondary School Examinations Regulations, Amending Regulations, No. 5, 1944 ".

2. The Secondary School Examinations Regulations, 1935, (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1935, No. 45) as amended by The Secondary School Examinations Regulations, Amending Regulations, No. 1 ; Amending Regulations, No. 2 ; Amending Regulations, No. 3 ; Amending Regulations, No. 4 ; (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland 1936, No. 48 ; 1938, No. 126 ; 1939, No. 177 ; 1943, No. 87 respectively), which Regulations as so amended are herein referred to as " The Principal Regulations ", and are hereby amended as follows :—

3. Paragraph (*c*) of the proviso to Regulation 6 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following paragraph substituted therefor :—

" (C) (i) in a main modern language a candidate may not pass with credit or distinction who has not satisfied the Ministry in the oral tests ;

(ii) in a subsidiary language subject a candidate will not be awarded a pass with credit or distinction ".

4. The proviso to Regulation 16 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following is substituted therefor :—

" Provided that any application received after the 30th April in the year in which the examination is to be held may be accepted only in exceptional circumstances and upon the payment of a further special fee the amount of which shall be fixed by the Ministry ".

5. Regulation 24 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following Regulation is substituted therefor :—

" 24. A candidate for the Senior Certificate Examination must take the examination in the following subjects :—

(1) English

(2) if a boy :— Mathematics *or*
Additional Mathematics

if a girl :— *one* of the following subjects :—
Mathematics,
Additional Mathematics,
Domestic Economy,
Music,
Art Group I (Design, Pictorial Drawing and History of Art),
Art Group II (Object, Memory and Mechanical Drawing).

(3) A language other than English either as a main or as a subsidiary subject ; and

(4) & (5) Any other *two* subjects of the examination.

Provided that :—

(i) neither of the two subjects taken under (4) and (5) above may be a subsidiary language subject ;

(ii) if a candidate takes both the main and the subsidiary subject in the same language one only of these subjects may be taken into account for the purpose of this Regulation ".

6. Regulation 25 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following Regulation is substituted therefor :—

" 25. To obtain the Senior Certificate a candidate must pass in each of the compulsory subjects as specified in Regulation 24 hereof : Provided, however, that a candidate may be allowed by the Ministry to obtain the certificate by compensation, who, having failed to pass in one only of the compulsory subjects—

(i) has been awarded in that subject at least 30 per cent. of the maximum, if it be English or a subsidiary language subject, or at least 25 per cent. of the maximum, if it be any subject other than English or a subsidiary language subject ; and

(ii) has obtained an aggregate of at least 40 per cent. of the sum of the maxima in the compulsory subjects ".

7. Regulation 39 of the Principal Regulations is hereby repealed and the following Regulation is substituted therefor :—

" 39. (1) The Ministry will make awards of exhibitions and prizes to candidates in each of the following groups of subjects :—

Group A. English and *three* other subjects, of which at least *two* must be literary subjects including at least *one* language subject : provided, however, that neither Mathematics nor a subsidiary language subject shall be one of the subjects of this group.

Group B. English and *four* other subjects, of which at least *three* must be scientific subjects ; provided, however,

that neither Mathematics nor a subsidiary language subject shall be one of the subjects of this group.

(2) For the purposes of this Regulation—

(*a*) the literary subjects shall be Modern History, Ancient History and languages other than English ;

(*b*) the scientific subjects shall be Additional Mathematics, the Advanced Mathematical Subjects, Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Geography, Art Group II (Object, Memory and Mechanical Drawing), and Domestic Economy.

(3) The Ministry will award Senior Exhibitions to those candidates who have obtained the highest aggregates in the group to which they belong : provided that a candidate may obtain an award in one group of subjects only.

(4) The number of awards in each group shall be at the discretion of the Ministry ".

8. These Regulations shall come into operation and have effect as from 1st August, 1944, after which date they shall be read with and as forming part of the Principal Regulations.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 27th day of September, 1944.

(L.S.) (Signed) *R. S. Brownell,*
Secretary.

King's Scholarship Examinations.

REGULATIONS, DATED 4TH JANUARY, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 65 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1944. No. 7.

NOTE :—The foregoing Regulations, being of temporary effect, have not been printed at length in this Volume.

Public Elementary Schools : Amending Regulations.

REGULATIONS, DATED 14TH JANUARY, 1944, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 TO 1942, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

1944. No. 12

1.—These Regulations may be cited as the Public Elementary Schools Regulations, 1934, Amending Regulations, No. 17, 1944.