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HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

The Health and Social Services Boards (Membership) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991

Made	*7th March 1991*
Coming into operation . .	*1st April 1991*

The Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by paragraphs 3 and 15 of Schedule 1 to the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Health and Social Services Boards (Membership) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1991.

(2) In these regulations—

"Board" means a Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972;

"non-officer member" means a member who is not an officer member and who is appointed under paragraph 3(1)(*b*) of the Schedule;

"officer member" means a member of a Board who is a member by virtue of or appointed under paragraph 3(1)(*c*), (*d*) or (*e*) of the Schedule;

"the Schedule" means Schedule 1 to the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

Membership of Boards

2.—(1) The number of non-officer members to be appointed to a Board shall be 6.

(2) The chief finance officer shall be a prescribed officer for the purposes of paragraph 3(1)(*d*) of the Schedule.

(3) The prescribed maximum number of officer members other than the chief officer and the chief finance officer, for the purposes of paragraph 3(1)(*e*) of the Schedule, shall be 4.

University non-officer members of Boards

3. The Eastern Health and Social Services Board is hereby prescribed for the purposes of paragraph 3(4) of the Schedule.

(**a**) S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I. 14); Schedule 1 was amended by Article 3 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 (S.I. 1991/194 (N.I. 1))

Persons to be regarded as non-officers

4. Where a person—

(*a*) holds a post in a university with a medical or dental school; and

(*b*) would also, apart from this regulation, be regarded as an officer of a Board,

his employment as an officer of the Board shall not prevent him being appointed as a non-officer member of that Board, pursuant to paragraph 3(4) of the Schedule.

Joint members

5. Where more than one person is appointed jointly to a post in a Board which qualifies the holder for officer membership or in relation to which an officer member is to be appointed, or where the functions of such an officer are in any way to be performed by more than one person, those persons shall become or be appointed as an officer member jointly, and shall count for the purposes of regulation 2 as one person.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 7th March 1991.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations make provision concerning the membership of Health and Social Services Boards established under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 (''the Order''). Article 3 of the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1991, which amends Schedule 1 to the Order (constitution etc. of Health and Social Services Boards), is brought into operation on 1st April 1991 by virtue of Article 1(3) of the 1991 Order.

The Regulations

— prescribe the number of non-officer members as 6 (regulation 2(1));

— prescribe the chief finance officer as an officer member (regulation 2(2));

— prescribe the maximum number of officer members, other than the chief officer and chief finance officer, as 4 (regulation 2(3));

— prescribe the Eastern Health and Social Services Board as a Board which must appoint someone drawn from a university with a medical or dental school (regulation 3);

— permit an officer who holds a post in a university with a medical or dental school to be appointed as a non-officer member (regulation 4);

— provide for the treatment of posts which are filled by more than one person (regulation 5).