

- (a) the National Fire Service (Northern Ireland) or the National Fire Service of Great Britain and has at any time held a rank not lower than that of Section Leader therein ; or
  - (b) a whole-time fire brigade and has at any time held a position in such a brigade substantially equivalent to a rank not lower than that of Section Leader in the National Fire Service (Northern Ireland) ; and
- (2) he produces satisfactory evidence that his health and character are good ; and
- (3) he is a natural born British subject and the son of a father also a natural born British subject, and has, during the whole of the period of five years ending on the date of his appointment, been resident in the United Kingdom ; and
- (4) at the date of his appointment he is not more than forty years of age ; save that a person shall not be disqualified for appointment on grounds of age alone if at the date of his appointment he is serving in the National Fire Service (Northern Ireland) or in the fire brigade of a fire authority.

### Standard Fire Provision

REGULATIONS DATED 31ST DECEMBER, 1947, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF  
HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION FOUR OF THE  
FIRE SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947.

1947. No. 207

The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry"), by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sub-section (2) of section four of the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1947, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Standard Fire Provision) (Northern Fire Authority) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1947.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of the Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

(3) In these Regulations and in the Schedule hereto —  
 "the Northern Fire Authority" and "the Northern Fire District" have the same meaning as in the Fire Services (Northern Fire District and Fire Authority) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947, and "the Belfast Fire Authority" has the same meaning as in the Fire Services (Belfast Fire District and Fire Authority) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947 ;  
 "appliances", "chief officer", "equipment", "fire brigade", "fire engines", "fire officer" and "standard fire provision" have the same meaning as in the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1947 ;

“breathing apparatus” means apparatus, of a type approved by the Ministry, the function of which is to enable a wearer thereof to work in an atmosphere incapable of supporting human life ;

“country appliance” means a self-propelled vehicle carrying a light pump and a ladder extending to not less than 30 feet and towing a power-operated pump, of a type approved by the Ministry, capable of delivering water at the rate of not less than 350 gallons a minute; together with hose and ancillary equipment of such types and in such quantities as may be approved by the Ministry ;

“foam apparatus” means apparatus, of a type approved by the Ministry, the function of which is to produce and deliver foam of a kind used for the extinction of fire ;

“light pump” means a power-operated pump, of a type approved by the Ministry, capable of delivering water at the rate of not less than 120 gallons a minute, together with hose and ancillary equipment of such types and in such quantities as may be approved by the Ministry ;

“mobilising section” means a section of a fire brigade provided with telephones and such other equipment as may be needed for the purpose of carrying out the following functions :—

- (1) the reception of calls for the service of a fire brigade in case of fire ;
- (2) the maintaining of records of the availability for immediate use of appliances and equipment ; and
- (3) the summoning of members of fire brigades when required ;

“part-time station officer” means a part-time member of a fire brigade appointed to be the leader of a group of part-time members ;

“retained members” means part-time members of a fire brigade who undertake, in return for retaining fees, to hold themselves available for duty with the brigade when required ;

“town appliance” means a self-propelled vehicle carrying a ladder extending to not less than 40 feet and either embodying or towing a power-operated pump, of a type approved by the Ministry, capable of delivering water at the rate of not less than 350 gallons a minute, together with hose and ancillary equipment of such types and in such quantities as may be approved by the Ministry.

2. The standard fire provision to be made by the Northern Fire Authority (hereinafter referred to as "the Authority") shall be as set forth in the Schedule to these Regulations.

3. These Regulations shall come into force on the date hereof.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs  
for Northern Ireland this thirty-first day of December,  
nineteen hundred and forty-seven, in the presence of

(L.S.)

*J. B. O'Neill,*  
Assistant Secretary.

### SCHEDULE

#### STANDARD FIRE PROVISION TO BE MADE BY THE NORTHERN FIRE AUTHORITY

**Fire Brigade**

1. The fire brigade of the Authority shall be constituted as follows:—

(1) The personnel shall comprise —

- (a) a whole-time chief officer and three whole-time fire officers;
- (b) a sufficient number of whole-time firemen stationed at Ballymena to provide for the continuous attendance of not less than two men; and
- (c) part-time members whose location and numbers shall be as indicated in columns (1), (4) and (5) of the table in the next succeeding subparagraph.

(2) The fire engines, appliances and equipment (other than equipment provided for members' personal use) and the location thereof shall be as indicated in columns (1), (2) and (3) of the following table:—

Location	Fire Engines, Appliances and Equipment		Personnel	
	Description	Number	Minimum number to be on, or available for, duty at any time, if required	Maximum Strength
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
			(a) Retained Members	
Borough of Ballymena	Town appliance Country appliance Foam apparatus Breathing apparatus	one one one one	11	20
Borough of Coleraine	Town appliance Country appliance Foam apparatus Breathing apparatus	one one one one	6	12

Location	Fire Engines, Appliances and Equipment		Personnel	
	Description	Number	Minimum number to be on, or available for, duty at any time, if required	Maximum Strength
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
			(a) Retained Members	
Borough of Larne	Town appliance Country appliance Foam apparatus	one one one	11	20
Urban District of Ballycastle	Country appliance	one	6	12
Urban District of Ballymoney	Country appliance	one	6	12
Urban District of Carrickfergus	Country appliance	one	6	12
Urban District of Portrush	Town appliance Light pump	one one	6	12
Urban District of Portstewart	Country appliance	one	6	12
Town of Antrim	Country appliance	one	6	12
Town of Maghera	Country appliance	one	6	12
			(b) Part-time Volunteer Members	
Urban District of Whitehead	Light pump	one	None	12
Town of Crumlin	Light pump	one	None	12
Town of Cushendall	Light pump	one	None	12

(3) The members of the fire brigade shall be provided with such uniform and other equipment for their personal use as may be approved by the Ministry.

2. Firemen shall receive such training in their duties, under the supervision of the chief officer or a fire officer, as may be approved by the Ministry, and such records of training shall be maintained as may be specified by the Ministry.

3. The arrangements for enabling persons to call the fire brigade in case of fire, for summoning the members of the fire brigade and for manning the fire engines and appliances shall be as follows:—

(1) The Authority shall provide, and maintain a mobilising section for the Northern Fire District at their headquarters in Ballymena, but shall make arrangements with the Belfast Fire Authority under which calls for the fire brigade in case of fire originating in certain parts of the Northern Fire District shall be dealt with by the mobilising section of the Belfast Fire Authority where such calls can so be more conveniently and expeditiously dealt with.

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Arrangements for calling the Fire Brigade in case of fire, etc.

- (2) The Authority shall make such arrangements as will provide for calls for the fire brigade in case of fire to be transmitted promptly to a mobilising section.
- (3) The Authority shall provide and maintain in every town mentioned in column (1) of the table in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph one of this Schedule in which there are retained members of the fire brigade apparatus of sufficient power to give audible warning for the purpose of summoning the members to man the fire engines and appliances, and shall make suitable arrangements for the sounding of the said apparatus when necessary.

Attendance at  
Fires

4. When the fire brigade respond to a call in case of fire, the chief officer or a fire officer or a part-time station officer shall, if practicable, attend at the fire in order to take charge of the operations of the brigade.

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1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Standard Fire Provision) (Southern Fire Authority) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1947.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of the Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

(3) In these Regulations and in the Schedule hereto —

"the Southern Fire Authority" and "the Southern Fire District" have the same meaning as in the Fire Services (Southern Fire District and Fire Authority) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947, and "the Belfast Fire Authority" has the same meaning as in the Fire Services (Belfast Fire District and Fire Authority) Order (Northern Ireland), 1947;

"appliances", "chief officer", "equipment", "fire brigade", "fire engines", "fire officer" and "standard fire provision" have the same meaning as in the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1947;

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