EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

Section 11(7) of the Clean Air Act (Northern Ireland) 1964 empowers the Ministry of Health and Social Services to exempt any class of fireplace, (as defined in the Act) upon such conditions as it may prescribe, from the provisions of the section (which relates to smoke control areas) if it is satisfied that such fireplaces can be used for burning fuel other than authorised fuels without producing any smoke or a substantial quantity of smoke. These regulations exempt the class of fireplaces set out in the first column of the Schedule thereto on the conditions set out opposite the class in the second column.

1966. No. 85

[C]

FIRE SERVICES

Qualifications of Fire Officers

REGULATIONS, DATED 25TH APRIL, 1966, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 6(2) OF THE FIRE SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) (REPRINT) 1947, AS AMENDED BY THE FIRE SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1950.

The Ministry of Home Affairs in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section 6(2) of the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland) (Reprint) 1947, as amended by the Fire Services (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1950, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Qualifications of Fire Officers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966 and shall come into operation on the 1st June, 1966.

Revocations

2. The Fire Services (Qualifications of Fire Officers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1950(a) and the Fire Services (Qualifications of Fire Officers) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1952(b) are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

3. In these Regulations—

"The Authority" means the Northern Ireland Fire Authority;

"The Ministry" means the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland; "operational service" in relation to any person means service in one or more of the organisations referred to in Regulation 4(1)(a) and 4(1)(b) during which that person in the course of his duty has had practical experience of fire-fighting.

Qualifications of Fire Officers

- 4. No person shall be qualified to be appointed a fire officer of the Authority unless—
 - (1) he has had not less than five years' operational service in-
 - (a) a whole-time fire brigade; or
 - (b) the fire force of the Authority as a retained member and has held a rank not lower than that of Section Leader therein:

Provided that the period of five years' operational service need not be confined solely to any one of the organisations referred to in (a) or (b), but may be obtained in two or more such organisations; and

- (2) he has passed an educational and a technical examination of a standard approved by the Ministry or was employed in the rank of fire officer in a whole-time brigade at 31st March, 1950; and
- (3) he produces satisfactory evidence that his health and character are good; and
- (4) 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
- (5) at the date of his appointment he is not less than twenty-three years of age:

Provided that no person qualified as aforesaid shall, by virtue of that qualification, be eligible for appointment to a higher rank than that of Senior Company Officer under the Authority unless he has passed a further technical examination of a standard approved by the Ministry.

Appointment to a Post of a Specialised Nature

5. The Ministry may, where it is satisfied that a person possesses such qualifications or experience as render him suitable for appointment to a post of a specialised nature carrying fire officer rank, assent in respect of such an appointment to a departure from the requirements of Regulation 4(1) and 4(2).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 25th day of April, 1966, in the presence of

(L.S.)

J. W. E. Cathcart,
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations describe the qualifications which are required for appointment to the rank of Fire Officer in the service of the Northern Ireland Fire Authority.

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These Orders have been exempted from printing by the Statutory Rules Act (Northern Ireland) 1958. Summaries are given in the List of Statutory Rules and Orders of a Local Character under the heading ROADS.

1966. No. 90

[NC]

NATIONAL INSURANCE

Commencement Order (Northern Ireland) 1966

ORDER, DATED 22ND APRIL, 1966, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1966.

Whereas it is provided by section 110(2) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966(a) that that Act shall come into force on such date as the Minister may by order appoint:

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable William James Morgan, Minister

of Health and Social Services, hereby make the following Order:

- 1. The date appointed for the coming into force of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 shall be the 2nd May, 1966.
- 2. This Order may be cited as the National Insurance (Commencement) Order (Northern Ireland) 1966.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of April, 1966.

Wm. J. Morgan, Minister.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Order brings the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 into force on 2nd May, 1966. By virtue of section 83(2) of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, section 23(2) of the Family Allowances Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, section 6(2) of the Health Service Contributions Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 and section 2(2) of the Statute Law Revision (Consequential Repeals) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966, these Acts also come into force on 2nd May, 1966.

⁽a) 1966, c. 6 (N.I.).