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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3(2).

THE NORTHERN IRELAND TOURIST BOARD

Incorporation and status

1. The Board shall be a body corporate to which, subject to the provisions of this Order, section 19 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954^{F1} shall apply.

F1 1954 c. 33 (NI)

2. The Board shall not be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown or as exempt from any tax, duty, rate, levy or other charge whatsoever, whether general or local, and its property shall not be regarded as the property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.

Membership

- **3.**—(1) The Board shall consist of not more than 9 members appointed by the Head of the Department from among persons who appear to him to have experience in any field of activity which he considers is relevant to the discharge of the functions of the Board.
- (2) The Head of the Department shall appoint one of the members as chairman and may appoint one or more of the members as deputy chairman or deputy chairmen.
- **4.**—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, a member of the Board shall hold and vacate his office in accordance with the terms of his appointment.
- (2) A member of the Board may at any time by notice in writing to the Head of the Department resign his office.
- (3) The Head of the Department may at any time by notice in writing to a member of the Board remove him from office.
- (4) Where a member becomes or ceases to be the chairman or a deputy chairman of the Board, the Head of the Department may vary the terms of his appointment.
- (5) A person shall, on ceasing to hold office as a member of the Board, be eligible for re# appointment.
- **5.**—(1) The Board may pay to each member of the Board such remuneration and such allowances as the Department may determine.
- (2) Where a member of the Board is in the employ of any other person, the Board may make to that other person, in consideration of the services of that member to the Board, such payments as the Department may determine.

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Staff

- **6.** The Board may appoint such officers, on such terms as to remuneration and conditions of service, as the Department may determine.
- 7. The Board may, with the approval of the Department, provide and maintain a contributory scheme for the payment of superannuation allowances and death gratuities in respect of the retirement or death of persons employed by it.

Proceedings

- **8.** The Board shall by standing orders regulate the procedure to be observed at its meetings and those of the executive committee established under paragraph 11(1)(b) and the manner in which its business and the business of that committee is to be transacted.
- **9.**—(1) A member who is in any way directly or indirectly interested in any matter which falls to be considered by the Board shall disclose the nature of his interest at a meeting of the Board and the disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- (2) Where such a disclosure is made by any member in relation to any matter, he shall not take part in any deliberation or decision of the Board with respect to the matter if the Board decides that the interest in question might prejudicially affect the member's consideration of the matter.
- (3) For the purposes of this paragraph a notice given by a member at a meeting of the Board to the effect that he is a member of a specified body corporate or firm and is to be regarded as interested in any matter concerning the body or firm which falls to be considered by the Board after the date of the notice shall be a sufficient disclosure of his interest.
- (4) A member need not attend in person at a meeting of the Board in order to make a disclosure which he is required to make under this paragraph, if he takes reasonable steps to secure that the disclosure is made by a notice which is taken into consideration and read at such a meeting.
- 10. The validity of any proceedings of the Board shall not be affected by any vacancy among the members or by any defect in the appointment of a member or by any failure to comply with the requirements of paragraph 9.

Committees

- 11.—(1) In connection with the exercise of its functions the Board may establish—
 - (a) advisory committees, to consider such matters as may be referred to those committees by the Board,
 - (b) an executive committee, to exercise, on behalf of and in the name of the Board, such functions of the Board as may, in accordance with directions, be delegated to the committee by the Board.
- (2) An advisory committee may contain members who are not members of the Board.
- (3) The procedure to be observed at meetings of an advisory committee and the manner in which its business is to be transacted shall be such as the committee may determine.
- (4) The Board may pay to any members of an advisory committee who are not members of the Board such allowances, including compensation for loss of remunerative time, as the Department may determine.
 - (5) Paragraphs 9 and 10 apply to a committee of the Board as they apply to the Board.

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The seal

12. The fixing of the seal of the Board shall be authenticated by the signatures of a member of the Board and of some other person authorised by the Board to act in that behalf.

Execution of contracts and instruments not under seal

13. Any contract or instrument which, if entered into or executed by an individual, would not require to be[^{F2} executed as a deed] may be entered into or executed on behalf of the Board by any person generally or specially authorised by the Board to act for that purpose.

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Determinations of the Department under this Schedule

14. A determination of the Department under this Schedule shall be made in accordance with arrangements approved by the Department of Finance and Personnel.

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