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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2007 No. 436**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

General Ophthalmic Services  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

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GENERAL OPHTHALMIC SERVICES  
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1.	The Ophthalmic Committee appointed by the Agency, after consultation with...
2.	The Chairman shall be an optician appointed by the Department....
3.	The term of office of members of the Committee shall...
4.	Where the place of a member becomes vacant before the...
5.	A member of the Committee may resign his membership by...
6.	Where any member of the Committee— (a) is absent from...
7.	Where a person who provides any ophthalmic or other professional...
8.	The proceedings of the Committee shall not be invalidated by...
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- Sch. 1 para. 14(3) omitted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 5
- Sch. 1 para. 4(3) substituted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 4(2)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(8) substituted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 4(3)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(b)(i) substituted by S.R. 2016/104 reg. 14(3)(c)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(3)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(c)(i)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(6) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(c)(ii)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(7) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(c)(ii)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(8) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(c)(ii)
- Sch. 1 para. 7(3)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(d)
- Sch. 1 para. 4 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(5) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 5(7)(8) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 7(3)(a) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. .008(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 9(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 11 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 8(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(e)
- Sch. 1 para. 9(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(e)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(b) words substituted by S.R. 2022/109 Sch. para. 23(2)(a)
- Sch. 1 para. 2(b) words substituted by S.R. 2022/109 Sch. para. 23(2)(b)
- Sch. 2 para. 6(a) words inserted by S.R. 2016/108 Sch. para. 51(3)
- Sch. 2 para. 1 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(10)(a)
- Sch. 2 para. 9 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(10)(b)(i)
- Sch. 2 para. 9 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(10)(b)(ii)
- reg. 2 words inserted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 2(4)
- reg. 2 words inserted by S.R. 2015/159 Sch. para. 44(2)
- reg. 2 words inserted by S.R. 2016/104 reg. 14(3)(a)
- reg. 2 words inserted by S.R. 2016/108 Sch. para. 51(2)
- reg. 2 words inserted by S.R. 2022/109 Sch. para. 23(1)
- reg. 2 words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(2)(a)
- reg. 2 words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(2)(b)
- reg. 2 words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(2)(c)
- reg. 2 words substituted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 2(2)
- reg. 2 words substituted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 2(3)
- reg. 8(1) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 8(3)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(4)(a)
- reg. 8(3)(e) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 8(4) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(4)(b)
- reg. 8(5) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(4)(c)
- reg. 9(1) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(5)
- reg. 9(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 10 word substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(6)
- reg. 11 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 13 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 14(3)(b) substituted by S.R. 2014/267 reg. 16
- reg. 14(3)(b) words omitted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(7)
- reg. 14(3)(b) words substituted by S.R. 2015/205 reg. 7
- reg. 14(3)(b) words substituted by S.R. 2016/104 reg. 14(3)(b)
- reg. 17(4)(b) substituted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 3

- reg. 19(2) words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)
- reg. 21 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(8)
- reg. 22 words substituted by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(3)

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Rule (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 1 para. 4(9) inserted by S.R. 2014/2 reg. 4(4)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(8A) substituted for para. 4(9) by S.R. 2022/104 reg. 4(9)(b)
- Sch. 2 para. 6(ab) substituted for Sch. 2 para. 6(b) by S.R. 2015/159 Sch. para. 44(3)