
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**Local Government Pension Scheme (Administration)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009**

**PART 3
CONTRIBUTIONS**

Payment of additional regular contributions (ARCs)

19.—(1) A member who chooses to pay additional contributions under regulation 14 (election to pay additional regular contributions (ARCs)) of the Benefits Regulations must make his request in writing to the Committee.

(2) The member's request must be copied to the member's employing authority and must state the length of the period ("the ARC payment period") over which he wishes to pay the additional regular contributions ("ARCs").

(3) If—

- (a) the Committee passes a resolution requiring a member to satisfy it that he is in reasonable health by producing to it a report by a registered medical practitioner, approved by the Committee, of the results of a medical examination undertaken at the member's own expense; and
- (b) it is not so satisfied,

it may refuse his request.

(4) The length of the ARC payment period must be such that it ends before the member's normal retirement age.

(5) The member may only pay ARCs if the Committee notifies him in writing that it agrees to the request.

(6) The Government Actuary shall from time to time determine the amount of ARCs required for any given amount of increased pension and may determine different amounts of ARCs—

(a) for—

- (i) persons of different ages; or
- (ii) men or women; or

(b) depending on the length of different ARC payment periods.

(7) Where the Committee agrees to the member's request—

- (a) it must notify him and his employing authority of the amount of ARCs payable by him in accordance with the Government Actuary's determination, expressed as an amount in pounds sterling; and

- (b) the member must pay those ARCs from the next payment period (as defined in regulation 9(6) (joining the Scheme)) following the date of the Committee's notification under paragraph (5).
- (8) The Government Actuary may at any time redetermine any amount determined under paragraph (6) and, if he does so, the member must, from 1st April following the redetermination, pay ARCs in accordance with the redetermination.
- (9) If the member pays (or is treated under regulation 20 (discontinuance of ARCs) as having paid) ARCs for the whole of the ARC payment period, he must be credited with the additional annual pension of the amount that those ARCs purchase.