
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2020 No. 50

**The Historical Institutional Abuse Redress Board
(Applications and Appeals) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2020**

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Rules, “the Act” means the Historical Institutional Abuse (Northern Ireland) Act 2019.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(1) applies to these Rules as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.

(3) In the application of section 24 of that Act (service of documents by post etc.) to these Rules, subsection (1) has effect as if “, registering” were omitted.

(4) Section 25 of that Act (deviation in forms) applies to a form determined by the Board under these Rules as if it were prescribed by an enactment.

(5) In these Rules, “electronic communication” has the meaning given in section 4(1) of the Electronic Communications (Northern Ireland) Act 2001(2).

(6) A reference in these Rules to something in writing includes a reference to something in writing that is delivered by way of electronic communication.

(7) In these Rules, “oral hearing” means a hearing under section 9(3)(b) of the Act; and a reference in these Rules to an oral hearing includes a reference to any part of the hearing at which evidence is given for the purposes of section 10(1)(b) of the Act.