
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Police Pensions Regulations 1987

Part G

Pensionable Pay and Contributions

Pensionable and average pensionable pay

G1.—(1) The pensionable pay of a member of a police force at any time means his pay at the rate to which he is or was then entitled, account being taken of any retrospective increase in that rate.

(2) The average pensionable pay of a member of a police force shall, subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), be the aggregate of his pensionable pay in respect of the period of a year ending with the relevant date:

Provided that where he was entitled to pensionable pay for part only of that period, the said aggregate shall be multiplied by the reciprocal of the fraction of the year for which he was entitled to pensionable pay.

(3) Where the amount of a member of a police force's average pensionable pay, determined in accordance with paragraph (2), is less than the amount it would have been had he not suffered a temporary reduction in rate of pay by way of punishment, it shall be increased by the difference between the two said amounts.

(4) Where the amount of a member of a police force's average pensionable pay, determined in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3), is less than the amount it would have been had the relevant date been the corresponding date in one of the two preceding years (whichever year yields the higher amount), it shall be increased by the difference between the two said amounts.

(5) Where an award is made to or in respect of a member of a police force the relevant date for the purpose of determining his average pensionable pay shall be—

- (a) in the case of a regular policeman, the date of his last day of service as such in the force of the police authority by whom the award is payable;
- (b) in the case of an auxiliary policeman, the date of the last day of the continuous period of active service as such during which he received the injury which resulted in disablement or death;
- (c) in the case of an overseas policeman who is not a reversionary member of a home police force, the date of the last day of the tour of overseas service during which he received the injury which resulted in disablement or death.

(6) Where a regular policeman has served as a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary on or after 1st May 1970 and during part of the period of 3 years ending with the date mentioned in paragraph (5)(a), then paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) shall have effect in his case as if any reference in paragraph (2) to pensionable pay included a reference to such pay within the meaning of the Royal Ulster Constabulary pensions legislation.

(7) For the purposes of these Regulations, a serviceman shall be deemed to be entitled, in respect of his period of relevant service in the armed forces, to the pay to which he would have been entitled if he had continued to serve in his former force.

(8) Where for the purpose of calculating an award to a widow, child or dependent relative it is necessary to determine average pensionable pay for a week, it shall be taken to be average pensionable pay divided by 52#.

(9) Paragraph (2) has effect subject to paragraph 5(4)(c) of Part VII of Schedule J.

Pension contributions payable by regular policeman

G2.—(1) A regular policeman shall pay to the police authority pension contributions at the rate of 1p a week less than—

- (a) in the case of a man, 11% of his pensionable pay, or
- (b) in the case of a woman, 8% of her pensionable pay.

(2) The pension contributions payable under paragraph (1) upon each instalment of pay shall fall due at the same time as that instalment and may, without prejudice to any other method of payment, be discharged by way of a reduction of the appropriate amount made by the police authority from the said instalment.

Additional and further contributions

G3.—(1) This Regulation shall apply to a regular policeman who elected, in accordance with Regulation 58(2) or (3) of the Regulations of 1973, to pay additional or further pension contributions, and whose liability thereunder to pay those contributions did not cease before 1st April 1987.

(2) A man to whom this Regulation applies shall continue to pay additional or, as the case may be, further pension contributions until, subject to paragraph (4), the relevant date mentioned in paragraph (3), and Schedule G shall have effect for the purpose of calculating the amount of such additional or further pension contributions.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (2), the relevant date is the date on which the man becomes entitled to reckon 25 years' pensionable service so, however, that in determining the said date there shall be disregarded pensionable service reckonable by reason of service or employment before 1st April 1973 which he was not entitled to reckon on 1st April 1973.

(4) Additional or further pension contributions payable under this Regulation shall cease to be payable on retirement; but where a regular policeman was paying such contributions immediately before retiring with an ordinary pension that pension shall be reduced in accordance with paragraph 6 of Part VIII of Schedule B.

(5) Regulation G2(2) shall apply in relation to the payment of additional or further contributions under this Regulation as it applies in relation to the payment of pension contributions under Regulation G2(1).