

THE STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS OF A  
GENERAL CHARACTER  
ISSUED IN 1923.

ALLEGIANCE

Members of Local Authorities.

ORDER MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922, 12 & 13 GEO. 5 (N.I.), c, 16.

1923. No. 64.

WHEREAS, by sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland), 1922 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), it is enacted as follows:—

"A person elected or chosen as a member of a local authority shall be deemed not to have accepted office, and his office shall be deemed to be vacant, unless within the time required by law for making and subscribing a declaration of acceptance of office, or, where no declaration of acceptance of office is so required, within one month after he has been elected or chosen, he has made and subscribed the declaration of allegiance prescribed in Part III of the Schedule to the Act; and no person shall be deemed to have been validly appointed as a member of any committee or joint committee wholly or partly appointed by a local authority unless he has within one month of his appointment made and subscribed the said declaration of allegiance."

And whereas by sub-section (1) of section 8 of the Act it is enacted as follows:—

"The expression 'local authority' means the council of any county, borough, urban or rural district, a board of guardians, and the commissioners of any town."

And Whereas by sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Act it is provided that the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland may make such orders as appear to it to be necessary or proper for giving full effect to the Act:

Now therefore the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of all powers in that behalf enabling the Ministry, hereby orders and directs as follows, that is to say:—

(1) Every person elected or chosen as a member of a local authority or appointed as a member of any committee or joint-committee wholly or partly appointed by a local authority, shall within the time prescribed by sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Act make and subscribe the declaration of allegiance prescribed in Part III of the Schedule to the Act before the Secretary or Clerk to the local authority or committee or joint-committee as the case may be. In the event of illness, absence or incapacity of such Secretary or Clerk the declaration of allegiance shall be made and subscribed before his deputy, provided always that such deputy has already made the declaration of allegiance in the prescribed manner.

(2) The declaration of allegiance made and subscribed by every person pursuant to sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Act, shall be filed, and deposited in the office of the local authority or committee or joint-committee, as the case may be.

(3) The Secretary or Clerk of every local authority or committee or joint-committee, wholly or partly appointed by a local authority, shall, within seven days after the expiration of the period prescribed for the making of the declaration of allegiance as aforesaid, furnish to the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in the appropriate form set out in the Schedule to this Order, or in a form to the like effect, a certificate showing whether or not each person elected or chosen or appointed to be a member of the local authority or committee or joint-committee, as the case may be, has made and subscribed the declaration of allegiance within the prescribed time and in the prescribed manner.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this Sixth day of January, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-three.\*

(L.S.)

(Signed)

S. Watt.

\*See S. R. &amp; O. No. 65, p. 4, post.

*Schedule.*

(1)

Name of Local Authority.....

I hereby certify that the persons whose names and places of abode are set out in the following Schedule were elected or chosen to be members of the\*.....

\* Insert name of local authority.

on the date specified in column 3 of the said Schedule, opposite to each such name, and that each person opposite whose name an entry of a date appears in column 4 of the said Schedule, has made and subscribed the declaration of allegiance directed by Section 5 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, within the time prescribed by the said Section, and in the manner prescribed by the Order of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, bearing date the Sixth day of January, 1923.

Name in full of person elected or chosen. 1.	Place of Abode. 2.	Date of Election or choice. 3.	*Date on which declaration of allegiance was made and subscribed. 4.

\* A special note should be made in column 4 opposite to the name of each person who has not made the declaration in the prescribed manner.

Signed .....

Secretary or Clerk to Local Authority.

Date.....

Members of Local Authorities.

Name of Committee or Joint Committee.....

Appointed by\* .....

\* Insert name of local authority by whom Committee or Joint Committee was appointed.

I hereby certify that the persons whose names and places of abode are set out in the following Schedule were appointed to be members of the.....

.....on the date

Insert name of committee or joint committee.

specified in column 3 of the said Schedule, opposite to each such name, and that each person opposite whose name an entry of a date appears in column 4 of the said Schedule has made and subscribed the declaration of allegiance directed by Section 5 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, within the time prescribed by the said Section, and in the manner prescribed by the Order of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, bearing date the 6th day of January, 1923.

Names in full of person appointed. 1.	Place of Abode. 2.	Date of Appointment. 3.	*Date on which declaration of allegiance was made and subscribed. 4.

\* A special note should be made in column 4 opposite to the name of each person who has not made the declaration in the prescribed manner.

Signed .....

Secretary or Clerk to Committee or Joint Committee.

Date.....