
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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CRIMINAL LAW

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

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Coming into operation 21st November 2016

The Department of Justice makes the following Regulations, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 87(1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003⁽¹⁾ and now vested in it ⁽²⁾

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 and shall come into operation on 21 November 2016.

Prescribed police stations

2. The police stations listed in the Schedule to these Regulations are prescribed for the purposes of section 87 (1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003.

Revocation

3. The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015⁽³⁾ are revoked.

(1) [2003 c42](#).

(2) Article 12 of, and paragraph 77 (1) and (2) of Schedule 14 to, the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 ([S.I.2010/976](#)) transferred the function of the Secretary of State under section 87 (1)(a) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (the 2003 Act) (in its application to Northern Ireland) to the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland; section 138(5) and (8) of the 2003 Act which makes relevant provision relating to the exercise of the section 87(1)(a) power of the Department of Justice was inserted by Article 12 of, and paragraph 77(1) and (3) of Schedule 14 to, [S.I. 2010/976](#).

(3) [S.R.2015 No.345](#).

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Minister of Justice

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Police stations in Northern Ireland

Police Service of Northern Ireland	Antrim Police Station	Antrim Road Police Station
	24 Castle Street	274-280 Antrim Road
	Antrim	Belfast
	BT41 4AU	BT15 5AA
	Ardmore Police Station	Armagh Police Station
	3 Belfast Road	1-2 City View
	Newry	Newry Road
	BT34 1EF	Armagh
		BT60 1EP
	Ballycastle Police Station	Ballymena Police Station
	12 Ramoan Road	26 Galgorm Road
	Ballycastle	Ballymena
	BT54 6EG	BT43 5EX
	Ballymoney Police Station	Banbridge Police Station
	79 Charlotte Street	14 Castlewellan Road
	Ballymoney	Banbridge
	BT53 6AZ	BT32 4AX
	Bangor Police Station	Coleraine Police Station
	1-5 Castle Park Avenue	17 Lodge Road
	Bangor	Coleraine
	BT20 4BS	BT52 1LY
	Downpatrick Police Station	Dungannon Police Station

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3 Ballyhoran Road	1 Quarry Lane
Downpatrick	Dungannon
BT30 6RB	BT70 1HX
Enniskillen Police Station	Larne Police Station
48 Queen Street	2 Hope Street
Enniskillen	Larne
BT74 7JR	BT40 1UR
Limavady Police Station	Lisburn Police Station
11 Connell Street	15 Barrack Street
Limavady	Lisburn
BT49 OEA	BT28 1TJ
Lurgan Police Station	Magherafelt Police Station
62 Church Place	45-47 Meeting Street
Lurgan	Magherafelt
BT66 6HD	BT45 6BW
Musgrave Police Station	Newtownabbey Police Station
60 Victoria Street	418 Shore Road
Belfast	Newtownabbey
BT1 3GL	BT37 9RT
Newtownards Police Station	Omagh Police Station
36-40 John Street	1 Derry Road
Newtownards	Omagh
BT23 4LX	BT78 5DR
Strabane Police Station	Strand Road Police Station

23 – 25 Bowling Green	81A Strand Road
Strabane	Londonderry
BT82 8BW	BT48 7AA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (“the 2003 Act”) imposes notification requirements on offenders convicted of certain sexual offences. These offenders are called “relevant offenders”. The 2003 Act requires relevant offenders to notify certain personal information to the police, both at the outset and periodically thereafter. Persons subject to a Violent Offences Prevention Order (VOPO) provided for in the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 or a Slavery and Trafficking Prevention Order (STPO), provided for in the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Criminal Justice and Support for Victims) Act (Northern Ireland) 2015, are also required to notify in the same way as a relevant offender of the 2003 Act. Provision for the STPO commenced on 1 April 2016, but provision for the VOPO is yet to commence.

Section 87(1) of the 2003 Act provides that relevant offenders of the 2003 Act and those subject to a VOPO or STPO give such notification by attending at any police station in the relevant offender’s local police area which is prescribed in regulations. These Regulations prescribe those police stations in Northern Ireland.

For the purposes of section 87 of the 2003 Act, “local police area” is defined in section 88 (3) of the 2003 Act. Section 88(3) of the 2003 Act applies as if Northern Ireland were a police area (section 88(5) of the 2003 Act). In their application to Northern Ireland references to police areas in Part 2 of the 2003 Act are to be read as references to Northern Ireland (section 136(3) of the 2003 Act).

These Regulations revoke and replace the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (S.R.2015 No.345) so as to provide an updated list of prescribed police stations which are available in Northern Ireland, for notification purposes.

Specifically, the changes made to the list of prescribed police stations relate to: the removal of Castlereagh and Grosvenor Road police stations from the list, as they are no longer accessible to the public, and a change of address in relation to Downpatrick police station.