

POLICE FEDERATION FUND RULES

These Fund Rules have been produced for the information of all contributing members to the Police Federation Voluntary Funds. The Police Federation Fund Rules are made under the provisions of The Police Federation Regulations 1969, Part III as amended, having been agreed by the Police Federation Annual Conference 2007 and approved by the Secretary of State for Home Affairs.

The Fund Rules specify the use to which Federation Funds may be put, but reference should also be made to the Police Federation Regulations.

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(The Police Federation Regulations, 1969, Part 111 as amended)

**THE POLICE FEDERATION
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1990 & 2004**

PART 1 SUBSCRIPTIONS, AUDITS AND SOURCE OF FUNDS

1. The Police Federation may raise funds by the collection of voluntary subscriptions and the acceptance of donations from the members, and
 - (a) By borrowing money from any person or persons or body corporate, or other legally constituted body authorised to lend on such security and upon such terms as may from time to time be arranged, by interest on capital or by commissions;
 - (b) By acceptance of donations or gifts, whether directly or by bequest, providing the acceptance of such donations or gifts shall not affect or interfere with the impartial discharge of police duties;
 - (c) By the sale of periodicals or articles and publications, and such other matters or items which can be considered incidental to, and compatible with, the objects and purposes of the Federation; and
 - (d) By receiving the income raised by the Federation or any other party on its behalf from business activities concerned in any way with any Exhibition or Conference constituted in accordance with the Regulations (or otherwise).
 - (e) By receiving membership organisation provisions payable under any arrangement for the funding of litigation on behalf of members and their immediate families in accordance with the Access to Justice Act 2000 (as may from time to time be amended, extended, re-enacted or consolidated) or any regulations made thereunder.

(Members include cadets, central service officers, reversionary members of a Home Police Force and servicemen, within the meaning of the Regulations from time to time in force, under the Police Pensions Act 1976 and persons with a contingent right of reversion to a Home Police Force under Section 2 Police Act 1969.)

- (f) By the receipt of commissions, introduction fees or administrative charges on any member services arranged by or on behalf of the Police Federation of England and Wales for the benefit of members their partners and families and branch board staff; and where agreed by the branch board or central committee the benefit of non members who are or were employed by the police authority and the partners and families of such non-members.

- (g) By receiving the income raised by the Federation from commercial use of its premises.
- (h) By the sale of items of Federation memorabilia.

2A. All existing contributors and those whose contributions commence within six months of joining the Police Service, will have a right to the benefits set out in these Rules as amended from time to time, provided the contributions have been continuous with Police Service. A person who fails to contribute within six months of joining the Police Service or ceases to contribute and later elects to resume paying contributions may be required to pay contributions for a period of twelve months before he/she qualifies for benefits under these Rules as the case may be.

A former member will have the right to benefits set out in these Rules as amended from time to time (unless expressly excluded) provided either:

- (a) the issue the subject of the claim arose when the former member was a member of a police force; or
- (b) the issue concerns the eligibility of a member to a pension

provided that the former member was in the case of claims under paragraph A, a contributing member at the time of the issue, the subject of the claim and, in all cases, a contributing member for six months prior to leaving the police service.

2B. A member of the Police Federation who is not receiving any pay will have a right to the benefits set out in these Rules, as amended from time to time, provided that either one of the provisions set out in 2A above was fully satisfied (to the extent that the member would otherwise have been entitled to a right to the said benefits) at the date on which that member first commenced the period during which no payment of pay was made by the relevant Force.

3. The Joint Central Committee, subject to the approval of the Joint Central Conference, shall fix the amount per contributing member payable by Branch Boards to separate Central Committees and the amount shall be the same for every Branch Board.

4.0 REPEALED.

4.1 The weekly subscription, being such sum as has been determined by the Joint Central Committee, with the approval of the Joint Central Conference, shall be increased on 1st January each year, to such a sum as shall be determined by the Joint Central Committee, subject to the approval of the Joint Central Conference. The sum determined shall be rounded off to the nearest number of pence divisible by three.

- 4.2** As from 1st July 1995, out of the contributions made by each rank of each Force (with the exception of cadets) 30% overall shall be allocated to the appropriate Branch Board Fund and 70% to the appropriate Central Committee Fund: out of the said 70%, each Central Committee shall allocate, by agreement, part to the Joint Central Committee Fund.
- 4.3** Out of the contributions made by the cadets of each Force, 30% shall be allocated to the local Constables' Branch Board Fund, and the remaining 70% to the Constables' Central Committee Fund.
- 4.4** In each Force the following Funds may be set up within the Police Federation:-
- (i) The Constables' Branch Board Fund
 - (ii) The Sergeants' Branch Board Fund
 - (iii) The Inspectors' Branch Board Fund
- 4.5** Additionally the following Funds will be maintained within the Police Federation.
- (a) In each Force a Joint Branch Board Fund or, in the case of the Metropolitan Police, the Joint Executive Committee Fund, or in lieu of a Constables', Sergeants', and Inspectors' Branch Board Fund and, by agreement, a Joint Branch Board Fund only may be set up to receive the total contributions from members which would otherwise have been maintained in separate Branch Board Funds and shall be applied in financing the activities of the separate Branch Boards.
 - (b) At national level
 - (i) The Constables' Central Committee Fund
 - (ii) The Sergeants' Central Committee Fund
 - (iii) The Inspectors' Central Committee Fund
 - (iv) The Joint Central Committee Fund

The Funds set up under (b) above shall be known as the Police Federation (Constables') Fund, the Police Federation (Sergeants') Fund, the Police Federation (Inspectors') Fund and the Police Federation Joint Fund.

- 4.6** (a) In accordance with Regulation 18 of the Police Federation Regulations 1969, Branch Boards and Central Committees shall keep detailed accounts and shall have them audited annually by an authorised and independent auditor. Annual Statements of Accounts shall be made available by Branch Boards to their members and by Central Committees to the appropriate Central Conference. Copies of these Statements shall be sent, in the case of the Central Committees, to the Secretary of State. The Accounts of the Central Committees shall be published to the members of the Police Federation.

- (b) Each Branch Board shall send a signed copy of the annual financial statement to the Treasurer of the appropriate Central Committee and, where the local Fund or Funds include the Joint Branch Board, a signed copy of such financial statement shall be sent to each Treasurer of the three separate Committees.
 - (c) A Central Committee shall send to the Secretary of State a copy of the Annual Statement of Accounts of any Branch Board for which he/she may call.
- 4.7** For the avoidance of doubt, the allocation of 70% to the appropriate Central Committee fund as referred to in Rules 4.2 and 4.3 will only apply to the sums raised from voluntary contributions from members and shall not apply to funds raised by any other means permitted under these rules (including where relevant Rules 1(a) – 1(h)).

PART II AUTHORISATION OF EXPENDITURE BY COMPONENT PARTS OF THE POLICE FEDERATION

- 5.1** Federation Funds may only be used in the manner prescribed by the Regulations, and by these Rules made under the Regulations and approved by the Secretary of State, and within this general purpose, only as may be determined from time to time by the Joint Central Committee and approved by Conference.

Without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph, Federation Funds may be used as follows;

A. Joint Central Committee Fund

- 1. (a) On the administrative expenses of the Joint Central Committee, including the provision of office accommodation, the payment of due taxes, the retention and payment of persons consulted in an administrative professional or advisory capacity, the engagement of all necessary staff, and generally in any manner which the Joint Central Committee shall deem necessary to enable it to carry out its functions.
- (b) Expenses in connection with the publication and distribution of reports and other documents, including a journal or magazine, and the purchase of publications for the use of Committees and Boards.
- (c) On such contributions to a Police Authority as may be required under the Regulations in respect of the pay, pension or allowances of the Chairman, General Secretary or Treasurer of the Joint Central Committee, together with the authority to make payment to the aforesaid Officers of an amount necessary to implement their salaries to that of the highest rate payable to a Chief Inspector of the Metropolitan Police, together also with the authority to make payments

of any additional pay or allowance to the aforesaid Officers (and Deputy Officers as the case may be) as may be agreed by the Joint Central Committee, in accordance with a decision of Annual Conference.

- (d) To meet, where not met from public funds, the cost of additional meetings of the Central Committees and of Sub-Committees, or any other meetings of these Committees, and the costs of members attending Discussion and Study Groups and other training courses.
- (e) To grant honoraria to officials of the Central Committees. Honoraria so paid shall be met by the appropriate Central Committee in accordance with the decisions taken by Annual Conference; and in the case of the Joint Central Committee any such payment shall be met by the Police Federation Joint Fund, in accordance with the decision taken by the Joint Central Conference.
- (f) To grant honoraria to members of the Joint Central Committee.
- (g) To defray the expenses incurred by members of the Federation in assisting Branch Boards.
- (h) To make payment to members of such an amount as the Joint Central Committee may, in its discretion decide, in respect of their out of pocket and other expenses in attending Federation meetings, any Charity or Benevolent event, any Federation event, any Chief Officers' event, any National Police Memorial Day event and any other event approved by the Joint Central Committee that is for the benefit of the members, and commitments falling within the jurisdiction of the fund.
- (i) On the arrangement and operation of insurance, medical and superannuation and similar schemes and any other service for the benefit of its members their partners and families and committee staff; and where agreed by the Joint Central Committee the benefit of non members who are or were employed by a police authority and the partners and families of such non-members.
- (j) To advance a loan or grant to a Committee, a Joint Branch Board or a Branch Board, or in the case of the Metropolitan Police, the Joint Executive Committee and upon such terms and conditions as the Joint Central Committee may determine.
- (k) To test the validity of the decisions by the Police Authorities or by the Secretary of State, on matters of police pay, allowances, expenses or pensions. Only those cases involving a principle of universal application shall be supported in this way.
- (l) To support individual members of the Police Federation, their widows and children, in pension or medical appeals.

- (m) To meet the cost of medical and legal advice, and to support legal action on behalf of members in matters of general principle or importance to contributors generally.
- (n) To support claims for compensation by members of the Police Federation who have sustained injuries on- or off-duty; and by the personal representatives or relations of members who have been killed on- or off-duty; and by the members' immediate family who have sustained injuries.

Provided always that the Joint Central Committee may reclaim from a member all or part of the legal or other expenses so incurred in circumstances where the member on his/her own or in concert with others has, by a wilful act, caused those expenses to be unnecessarily incurred.

- (o) For payment from the Police Federation Joint Fund of £2,100 in the case of any contributor or donor specified in Rule 1 who dies whilst serving. Payment to be made to the widow or any dependant or other person.

(The amount of the Death Benefit payment is reviewed annually.)

- (p) On charitable or benevolent purposes.
- (q) To authorise the purchase of a gift, not exceeding a cost of £500, for any person, whether or not a member of the Federation where, in the opinion of the Committee, the individual has made a valid or recognisable contribution to the Federation or its members.
- (r) On all matters as may be incidental or conducive to the objects of the Police Federation.
- (s) To support claims by members where damage to the members' own personal property has been sustained whilst on duty, or in circumstances arising out of any activity or event associated with Police duty, and compensation for such damage is neither paid by any party responsible, nor paid under the terms of a policy of insurance arranged by the member or any other party.
- (t) To support claims by members in claims for negligence arising out of the provision to members of legal advice or assistance, such advice or assistance having been capable of being funded by the committee under these rules (but not including any claim by members against the Federation or a part thereof).
- (u) On the arrangement and operation of any Federation event approved by the Joint Central Committee for the benefit of the members.

- (v) On the provision of welfare, support and facilities approved by the Joint Central Committee.
- (w) On the purchase of items of Federation memorabilia for sale.

2. Federation Funds held by the Joint Central Committee (or with the consent thereof, Funds held by a Central Committee), **may, on such terms and conditions as may be specified** by the Joint Central Committee in the circumstances of a particular case, and with the prior consent of the Joint Central Committee, be used to defray legal charges incurred by a member or former member of the Federation, or by a central police officer, within the meaning of the Regulations from time to time in force under the Police Pensions Act 1976 entitled at the end of his/her period of central service to revert to his/her Police Force in a rank below that of Superintendent, in connection **with criminal proceedings brought against him/ her for any offence committed in, or founded upon something done in the performance or purported performance of his/her duties as a member of a Police Force** (including an offence committed on any occasion in respect of which an allowance is payable under Regulations made under Section 33 of the Police Act 1964 for the use of a motor vehicle or bicycle owned by a member), or as such a central police officer as the case may be. Such assistance will only be provided in those cases where the member's Chief Officer or Police Authority has not agreed to provide a solicitor acceptable to the member.

Procedure note agreed by the Joint Central Committee Statutory Meeting 6th September 1990, as amended by the JCC Statutory Meeting 23rd January 1991.

Applications for assistance under this Fund Rule will be dealt with by application to the Deputy General Secretary of the Joint Central Committee. Where the Deputy General Secretary has rejected an application from a member, he/she must confer with the appropriate Separate Central Committee Secretary and, in the absence of an agreement thereafter, the matter must be referred for consideration by the Joint Central Committee. Should the Joint Central Committee also reject the same application, the matter may be further considered by the separate rank Central Committee. If then, by a majority decision of that Committee, it decides to support the member, they shall then determine whether to use their own Funds or Joint Funds to support that particular case.

3. Federation Funds held by the Joint Central Committee may, **on such terms and conditions as may be specified** by that Committee in the circumstances of a particular case, be used to defray legal charges incurred by a member or former member of the Federation, arising out of any step taken by him/her, **with the prior approval** of that

Committee (given for the purposes hereof), in connection with an action for libel or slander which he/she has brought, or contemplates bringing, in respect of a statement or alleged statement which appears to the Committee :-

- (a) to relate to his/her conduct as a member of a Police Force, or
- (b) to disparage him/her in the office of Constable or other wise to cast doubt upon his/her fitness to be a member of a Police Force.

In all cases where support is given to a member it **will only be approved** by the Joint Central Committee and action shall normally be taken through the solicitors to the Police Federation.

4. Federation Funds held by the Joint Central Committee may, **with prior approval** and on such terms and conditions as may be specified by that Committee in the circumstances of a particular case, be used to defray legal charges incurred for a member in connection with his/ her legal representation in disciplinary proceedings, in
- (i) Disciplinary Proceedings
 - (ii) Unsatisfactory Performance Proceedings; and
 - (iii) Police Appeal Tribunal Proceedings

instituted in accordance with the provisions of the Police Act 1964, the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, the Police and Magistrates Courts Act 1994 and any regulations made thereunder where legal representation is available to the member under the provisions of these Acts or Regulations.

Procedure note agreed at the Joint Central Committee Statutory Meeting of 9th May, 1991.

Applications for assistance under this Fund Rule will be dealt with by application to the Deputy General Secretary of the Joint Central Committee. Where the Deputy General Secretary has rejected an application from a member, he/she must confer with the appropriate Separate Central Committee Secretary and, in the absence of an agreement thereafter, the matter must be referred for consideration by the Joint Central Committee. Should the Joint Central Committee also reject the same application, the matter may be further considered by the separate rank Central Committee. If then, by a majority decision of that Committee, it decides to support the member, they shall then determine whether to use their own Funds or Joint Funds to support that particular case.

5. Federation Funds held by the Joint Central Committee may be used to defray legal charges incurred for a member of the Police Federation to provide legal advice and representation in connection with:-

- (i) the testing of decisions affecting all ranks, or decisions which might affect one rank only, but which are detrimental to Federation policy, and are matters of general or universal principle;
- (ii) proceedings before a Coroner's Court or Tribunal, when such assistance may be given to the personal representative or dependants of a deceased officer, or to an officer who was directly involved in such proceedings;

Provided always that in the granting of such legal advice and representation:

- (I) the prior approval of the Joint Central Committee is obtained; and in all cases where support is given to a member, it will only be approved by the Joint Central Committee, and action shall normally be taken through the solicitors to the Police Federation.
- (II) the Joint Central Committee shall have an absolute discretion as to the extent of such representation, and it shall be on such terms and circumstances of a particular case.

B. Constables', Sergeants', Inspectors' Central Committee Fund

- (a) On the administrative expenses of a Central Committee, including the provision of office accommodation, the payment of due taxes, the retention of and payment of persons involved in such administration, that is to say civilian staff, and all other general administrative expenses and the payment of persons consulted in an administrative, professional or advisory capacity, and generally in the manner which the Central Committee shall deem necessary to enable it to carry out its functions.
- (b) On expenses in connection with the purchase, publication and distribution of publications, reports and other documents.
- (c) On such contribution to a Police Authority as may be agreed by the Central Committee in respect of pay, pension or allowance of the Secretary of the Central Committee.
- (d) To make payment to members of such an amount as the Central Committee may, in its discretion decide, in respect of their out of pocket and other expenses in attending Federation meetings, any Charity or Benevolent event, any Federation event, any

Chief Officers' event, any National Police Memorial Day event and any other event approved by the Central Committee that is for the benefit of the members, and commitments falling within the jurisdiction of the fund.

- (e) To grant honoraria to officials of the Central Committees. Honoraria so paid shall be met by the appropriate Central Committee in accordance with the decisions taken by Annual Conference.
- (f) In the granting of honoraria to members of the Central Committee.
- (g) On the arrangement and operation of insurance, medical and superannuation and similar schemes and any other service for the benefit of its members their partners and families and committee staff; and where agreed by the central committee the benefit of non members who are or were employed by a police authority and the partners and families of such non-members.
- (h) To advance a loan or grant to a Branch Board upon such terms and conditions as the Central Committee may determine.
- (i) To test the validity of the decisions by the Police Authorities, or by the Secretary of State, on matters of police pay, allowances, expenses or pensions. Only those cases involving a principle of universal application shall be supported in this way.
- (j) To meet the cost of medical and legal advice and to support legal action on behalf of members in matters of general principle or importance to contributors generally.
- (k) To support claims for compensation by members of the Police Federation who have sustained injuries on- or off-duty; and by the personal representatives or relations of members who have been killed on- or off-duty; and by the members' immediate family who have sustained injuries.

Provided always that the Central Committee may reclaim from a member all or part of the legal or other expenses so incurred in circumstances where the member on his/her own or in concert with others has, by a wilful act, caused those expenses to be unnecessarily incurred.

- (l) To meet any expenses incurred in connection with Federation activities, including the cost of legal advice or professional services on questions of interest generally which affect the welfare and efficiency of members of the Police Federation, which are not payable from public funds, and are not prohibited

by the Police Federation Regulations, and are not agreed by the Joint Central Committee for payment from the Joint Fund.

- (m) On legal advice and legal action in connection with:
 - (i) claims for compensation by members of the particular rank who have sustained injuries on- or off-duty and claims by personal representatives and dependants of those whose injuries have resulted in death; and by the members' immediate family who have sustained injuries;
 - (ii) with the testing of Force and Department of Social Security decisions affecting one particular member only, or affecting all the members of that rank only;
 - (iii) to the extent that assistance shall be limited to advice only, the giving of legal advice to members on any matter affecting the life of himself/herself and his/her family; and
 - (iv) any other matter which the Joint Central Committee shall approve of;

Provided always that in the granting of legal advice:

- (I) the prior approval of the Central Committee is obtained; and
- (II) the Central Committee shall have an absolute discretion as to the extent of such advice and assistance.

And provided always that the Central Committee may reclaim from a member all or part of the legal or other expenses so incurred in circumstances where the member, on his/her own or in concert with others has, by a wilful act, caused those expenses to be unnecessarily incurred.

- (n) To support individual members of the Police Federation, their widows and children, in pension or medical appeals.
- (o) On charitable or benevolent purposes.
- (p) To authorise the payment of a sum of money to, or the purchase of a gift for, any person, whether or not a member of the Federation where, in the opinion of the Committee, the individual has made a valid or recognisable contribution to the Federation or its members.
- (q) Other purposes approved by the Secretary of State.

- (r) To support claims by members where damage to the members' own personal property has been sustained whilst on duty, or in circumstances arising out of any activity or event associated with Police duty, and compensation for such damage is neither paid by any party responsible, nor paid under the terms of a policy of insurance arranged by the member or any other party.
- (s) To support claims by members in claims for negligence arising out of the provision to members of legal advice or assistance, such advice or assistance having been capable of being funded by the committee under these rules (but not including any claim by members against the Federation or a part thereof).
- (t) On the arrangement and operation of any Federation event approved by the Central Committee for the benefit of the members.
- (u) On the provision of welfare, support and facilities approved by the Central Committee.
- (v) On the purchase of items of Federation memorabilia for sale.

PART III BRANCH BOARDS

- 6.** Subject to the approval of the Joint Central Conference, the Federation Fund of Branch Boards may be used for the following purposes:-

(Note: In the following paragraphs, the term Branch Board refers to both Joint Branch Boards or, in the case of the Metropolitan Police, the Joint Executive Committee, and separate Branch Boards).

- (a) On the administrative expenses of a Branch Board, including the provision of office accommodation and equipment, the employment of civilian staff, and all general administrative work.
- (b) On expenses in connection with the purchase, publication and distribution of reports and other documents to members.
- (c) On charitable or benevolent purposes.
- (d) To meet, where not met from public funds, the cost of additional regional conferences of Policewomen, and additional meetings of Branch Boards and Sub-Committees of Branch Boards, and any other meetings.
- (e) On granting honoraria to Branch Board members.

- (f) To meet the difference between the actual cost incurred by delegates and observers attending conferences of the Police Federation, and the amount paid by the Police Authority under Police Regulations.
- (g) On the arrangement and operation of insurance, medical and superannuation and similar schemes and any other service for the benefit of its members their partners and families and branch board staff; and where agreed by the branch board the benefit of non members who are or were employed by the police authority and the partners and families of such non-members.
- (h) To meet the cost of approved general meetings held under the auspices of Branch Boards or Central Committees.
- (i) To meet any expenses incurred in connection with Federation activities, including meeting the cost of legal advice or professional services on questions of interest generally which affect the welfare and efficiency of members at local level, which are not payable from public funds or the funds of the Central Committees, nor prohibited by the Police Federation Regulations.

Provided always that in the granting of legal advice:-

- (I) the prior approval of the Branch Board is obtained; and
 - (II) the Branch Board shall have an absolute discretion as to the extent of such advice.
- (j) To make payment to members of such an amount as the Branch Board may, in its discretion decide, in respect of their out of pocket and other expenses in attending Federation meetings, any Charity or Benevolent event, any Federation event, any Chief Officers' event, any National Police Memorial Day event and any other event approved by the Branch Board that is for the benefit of the members, and commitments falling within the jurisdiction of the fund.
 - (k) To authorise the payment of a sum of money to, or the purchase of a gift for, any person, whether or not a member of the Federation where, in the opinion of the Committee, the individual has made a valid or recognisable contribution to the Federation or its members.
 - (l) In the case of a Joint Branch Board or (in the case of the Metropolitan Police the Joint Executive Committee), to advance a loan or grant to the Joint Central Committee upon such terms or conditions as the Joint Branch Board or, as appropriate Joint Executive Committee, may determine.

- (m) On subscriptions to the National Association of Retired Police Officers (NARPO) for retiring or retired members for a period of time to be determined by Branch Boards.
- (n) On the provision of Courses and Training approved by the Branch Board.
- (o) On the arrangement and operation of any Federation event approved by the Branch Board for the benefit of the members.
- (p) On the provision of welfare, support and facilities approved by the Branch Board.
- (q) On the purchase of items of Federation memorabilia for sale.

PART IV GENERAL

7. When matters relating to the Federation Funds are being dealt with at Annual Conference, at meetings of the Joint Central Committee or a separate Central Committee, and at meetings of the Joint Branch Board or a separate Branch Board, only those who are contributors to the Funds from amongst those present shall be entitled to speak on such matters; any non-contributors amongst those present have no right to raise any issue concerning the voluntary Funds or contributions, or to speak or vote on any such issue.

At General Meetings convened by the Joint Central Committee, a separate Central Committee, a Joint Branch Board or a separate Branch Board, no non-contributor shall have a right to initiate, discuss or vote on issues relating to these Funds or contributions.

A reference in these Rules to “the Regulations” shall mean the Police Federation Regulations 1969, as amended from time to time.

8. The general principle underlying these Rules can be altered or added to only as a result of an application from a Central Committee, or a Branch Board, which has been approved by the Secretary of State. The application and operation of the relevant Rules, as regards the national Funds, shall be subject to any additions or alterations made by the Annual Conference on a motion submitted in accordance with the Annual Conference Regulations and Standing Orders; and as regards local Funds, shall be subject to any additions or alterations made by any properly convened General Meeting of the Branch Board.

9. In the event of the merger of two or more Police Forces, whether voluntary or otherwise, all assets held by the Branch Boards or Joint Branch Board of the forces merging shall be transferred to the new Branch Board or Joint Branch Board (or in the case of the Metropolitan Police, the JEC). Where on such a merger existing Branch Board members are split between 2 or more new Branch Boards or Joint Branch Boards then the assets as above shall be transferred pro rata the number of members involved.

PART V USE OF FUNDS – DISPUTE PROCEDURE

The Joint Central Committee of the Police Federation will be the arbiters as to whether Funds held by Branch Boards have been used in accordance with these Rules or Regulations, as may be amended from time to time. Appeal against a ruling of the Joint Central Committee shall be to a panel of arbitrators consisting of a Chairman, who shall be a legal adviser, appointed jointly by the Joint Central Committee and the Branch Board concerned, plus one person nominated by the Branch Board, and one person nominated by the Joint Central Committee, neither of whom shall be a member of the Committee or Board, and any decisions made by that arbitration panel shall be final and binding.

(This section is a reproduction of the Police Federation Fund Rules, including the Police Federation (Amendment) Regulations 1990, which became effective on 1st September 1990. And the Police Federation (Amendment) Regulations 2004, which came into force on 5th November 2004).