

**Reference No:** P18/29/69 ; **Date:** 28/08/74

**Circular 43/1974:- Sick pay at pension rate**

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The Minister for the Public Service has accepted an agreed recommendation (Report No. 645) made by the General Council under the scheme of conciliation and arbitration for the civil service on a claim for periodic reviews of sick pay at pension rate.

2. The Minister sanctions, with effect from 1 June 1974, the revision of sick pay at pension rate in line with pension increases granted to retired civil servants. The effect of this decision is that (a) pension rate of pay on 1 June 1974 should be revised with effect from that date by reference to pay rates in operation on 1 July 1973 if this is more favourable than the existing pension rate, (b) with effect from 1 July in 1974 and future years, pension rate of pay should be revised by reference to rates of pay in force on that date.

3. Any case in which a Department has granted sick pay at pension rate under delegated authority (Finance Superannuation Authority No 6) should be revised by that Department. Any other case should be referred to this Department with the appropriate E Gen form duly completed and, where necessary, an averaging statement.

4. Where an officer on sick pay at pension rate of pay dies or retires without resuming duty, his death gratuity or lump sum should, as heretofore, be calculated by reference to his pensionable pay on his last day of paid service, viz. the day preceding the day on which he went on sick pay at pension rate. Any pension will, of course, be the same as the pension rate of pay.

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