

such person is also required to be insured under the general provisions of the Act.

(3) As respects persons employed by or under the Crown, these Regulations are subject to any Order in Council that may hereafter be made under subsection (1) of Section 40 of the Act.

(4) Where under these Regulations the Minister is empowered to give directions on any matter, the directions may be given either generally or as regards any special case or any special class or district.

(5) Any of the powers conferred on the Minister under these Regulations may be exercised by, and anything required by these Regulations to be done by, to or before the Minister may be done by, to or before a Secretary to the Ministry of Labour or by, to or before any Assistant Secretary to the Ministry or such other officer as the Minister may appoint for the purpose.

(6) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(7) Where by any Regulations made at any time after these Regulations any Article or part of any Article or words are directed to be added to or omitted from these Regulations, or to be substituted for any other Article or part of any Article or words in these Regulations, then copies of these Regulations, printed under the authority of His Majesty's Stationery Office after such direction takes effect may be printed with any Article or part of any Article or words so added or omitted or substituted as such direction requires, and with the Articles and paragraphs thereof numbered in accordance with such direction, and these Regulations shall be construed as if they had, at the time at which such direction takes effect, been made with such addition, omission or substitution, and a reference in any Regulations made by the Minister to the Unemployment Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1920, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed to refer to these Regulations as amended by any other Regulations for the time being in force.

*These Regulations, although statutory, are provisional only. Permanent Regulations will be made later.

PART II.

COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

ISSUE, CUSTODY AND DISPOSAL OF UNEMPLOYMENT BOOKS, &c.

Provisions as to obtaining and custody of Books, etc.

3. (1) Every person who is required by the Act to be or to become an insured contributor shall obtain from a Local Office, or in such other way as the Minister may direct, an Unemployment Book, and shall sign the book forthwith in the space provided for the purpose.

Provided that any person who was insured under the repealed Acts shall not, unless the Minister otherwise directs, be required to obtain for the insurance year 1920-21 an unemployment book under this Regulation, if he has already obtained an unemployment book for

that insurance year in accordance with the Regulations made under the repealed Acts.

(2) An insured contributor on obtaining a book in accordance with these Regulations shall be responsible for the custody of the book until it is delivered to an employer or to a Local Office in accordance with these Regulations.

(3) Every employer of an insured contributor shall, immediately after the date of the engagement, or in the case of an employed person required to become an insured contributor by reason of attaining the age of 16, immediately after he attains that age, or in the case of an employed person required to become an insured contributor at the date of the commencement of the Act, immediately after that date, obtain from the insured contributor a book then current, and it shall be the duty of the insured contributor to deliver or cause to be delivered his book to the employer accordingly.

Provided that where at the time of engagement an insured contributor's book is lodged at a Local Office, the employer shall be held to have complied with this Regulation as soon as he has obtained from the insured contributor the receipt for such book duly issued by the Local Office and has despatched it to that Local Office with a view to obtaining the book.

Provided also that where, in response to an application for a book properly made by an insured contributor, a book is issued by a Local Office direct to his employer, the requirements of sub-sections (1) and (3) of this Regulation shall be deemed to have been satisfied.

(4) The employer on obtaining the book shall become responsible for the custody of the book so long as the employment continues, or till the book is returned to the insured contributor or delivered to the Local Office in accordance with these Regulations.

(5) The person for the time being responsible for the custody of the book in accordance with these Regulations shall produce it for inspection at any reasonable time when required to do so by an Inspector appointed for the purposes of the Act, and, if so required by the Inspector, shall deliver up the book to the Inspector, who may, if he thinks fit, retain the book.

Right of insured contributor to inspect book in custody of employer.

4. If any insured contributor desires to inspect his book while it is in the custody of the employer, the employer shall, subject as hereinafter mentioned, give him a reasonable opportunity of so doing either within or immediately before or after working hours.

Provided that no insured contributor shall be entitled by virtue of this provision to inspect his book more than once in any one month nor except at such time as may be fixed by the employer for the purpose.

Disposal of book on termination of employment otherwise than by death of insured contributor, etc.

5. (1) On the termination of the employment of any insured contributor for any cause other than his death or on contributions ceasing for any cause to be payable in respect of him under the general provisions of the Act, the employer shall forthwith return the book to the insured contributor without any note or