



# Higher Education and Research Act 2017

## 2017 CHAPTER 29

### PART 1

#### THE OFFICE FOR STUDENTS

##### *The register of English higher education providers*

#### **4 Registration procedure**

- (1) Before refusing an application to register an institution, the OfS must notify the governing body of the institution of its intention to do so.
- (2) The notice must—
  - (a) specify the OfS's reasons for proposing to refuse to register the institution,
  - (b) specify the period during which the governing body of the institution may make representations about the proposal ("the specified period"), and
  - (c) specify the way in which those representations may be made.
- (3) The specified period must not be less than 28 days beginning with the date on which the notice is received.
- (4) The OfS must have regard to any representations made by the governing body of the institution during the specified period in deciding whether to register it in the register.
- (5) Having decided whether or not to register the institution, the OfS must notify the governing body of the institution of its decision.
- (6) Where the decision is to register the institution, the notice must—
  - (a) specify the date of entry in the register, and
  - (b) specify the ongoing registration conditions of the institution at that time.
- (7) Where the decision is to refuse to register the institution, the notice must contain information as to the grounds for the refusal.