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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 1772**

**The Further Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1997**

*Introductory*

**Definition of “further education”**

3.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this Article, in this Order “further education” means—

- (a) full-time and part-time education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age (including vocational training); and
  - (b) organized leisure-time occupation provided in connection with the provision of such education.
- (2) In this Order “further education” does not include—
- (a) higher education; or
  - (b) full-time education suitable to the requirements of senior pupils over compulsory school age where provided at a school.
- (3) For the purposes of this Order—
- (a) “organized leisure-time occupation” means leisure-time occupation, in such organized cultural, training and recreative activities as are suited to their requirements, for any persons over compulsory school age who are able and willing to profit by facilities provided for that purpose;
  - (b) “vocational training” includes continuing education for persons already in employment or already engaged in a vocation as well as education with a view to entry into any employment or vocation.