

**SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND
DISABILITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2005**

S.I. 2005 1117

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON ARTICLES

Part Iii – Disability Discrimination in Education

Chapter 1 – Schools

Article 16: Pupils with a disability not to be substantially disadvantaged

45. This Article places an anticipatory duty on schools to take reasonable steps to ensure pupils who have a disability are not placed at substantial disadvantage in comparison to pupils who do not have a disability, in relation to education and associated services provided, and to ensure that prospective pupils who have disabilities are not placed at a substantial disadvantage in relation to admission arrangements. Schools will not be required to make physical alterations or to provide auxiliary aids under this Article.