
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2005 No. 339

**Special Educational Needs and Disability
Tribunal Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

PART III

**MAKING A DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION
CLAIM AND STATEMENTS OF CASE**

(A) THE PARENT

Notice of a claim

17.—(1) A claim to the Tribunal shall be made by notice which—

(a) shall state—

- (i) the name and address of the parent making the claim and, if more than one address is given, the address to which the tribunal should send replies or notices concerning the claim;
- (ii) the name, address and profession of the representative (if any) appointed in accordance with regulation 22;
- (iii) the name and date of birth of the child;
- (iv) that the notice is a notice of claim;
- (v) where it is alleged that a school has discriminated against the child, the name and address of the school;
- (vi) where it is alleged that a board has discriminated against the child, or where a school named under head (v) is grant-aided by a board, the name of the board;

(b) shall include, or be accompanied by, a statement of the parent's reasons for making the claim which must include information relating to the following matters—

- (i) the nature of the child's disability;
- (ii) the way in which it is alleged the child has been discriminated against;
- (iii) the date or dates on which the alleged discrimination took place.

(2) The parent shall sign the notice of the claim.

(3) The parent must deliver the notice of claim to the Secretary of the Tribunal.

(4) Where the parent delivers a notice of claim, or otherwise seeks to institute proceedings, after the end of the period specified in paragraph 2(1) (and any extension under paragraph 2(2)) of Schedule 2 to the 2005 Order (Period within which proceedings must be brought), the Tribunal in deciding under paragraph 2(3) of that Schedule whether the tribunal will consider the claim which is out of time, may seek further information from the parent before making the decision.

(5) The notice of claim may include a request that the President should make an order in accordance with regulation 37(2) that the claim be heard with an appeal.