EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations consolidate the Education Maintenance Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (S.S.I. 2004/273) and certain amending instruments which are revoked with transitional provisions by the Education (Graduate Endowment, Student Fees and Support) (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2007 (S.S.I. 2007/148).

In addition to minor and drafting alterations, these Regulations add a definition of "employed" and clarify the definitions of "parent" (including "child"). The definition of "independent person" in Schedule 2 has been extended to include persons in receipt of child benefit or income support, persons who are looked after and accommodated by or who were formerly looked after by a local authority (or equivalent organisation) and those who do not reside with, have no regular contact with and receive no financial support from a parent or guardian.

Tables of Derivations and Destinations have been prepared identifying individual regulations in these Regulations with the equivalent provisions in the superseded Regulations and vice versa. Copies of the Tables may be obtained from the Scottish Executive, Higher Education and Learner Support Division, Europa Building, 450 Argyle Street Glasgow, G2 8LG. The Tables have been prepared to assist readers of the Regulations and do not have any legal effect.