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EDUCATION

The Scottish Ministers Annual Plan Planning Period (Scotland) Regulations 2016

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Parliament - - - 14th November 2016

Coming into force - - 15th December 2016

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 3E(2) of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000(1) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Scottish Ministers Annual Plan Planning Period (Scotland) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 15th December 2016.
 - (2) In these Regulations, "the 2000 Act" means the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000.

Planning period

2. The day prescribed as the day on which the planning period begins, for the purposes of section 3E(1) of the 2000 Act, is 1st January each year.

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 12th November 2016

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^{(1) 2000} asp 6 ("the 2000 Act"). Section 3E(2) was inserted into the 2000 Act by section 3(1) and (2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 8).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe the day the planning period begins for the purposes of section 3E(1) of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 ("the 2000 Act"). Section 3E(1) requires the Scottish Ministers each year to prepare and publish a plan, setting out the steps that they propose to take during the planning period with a view to reducing inequalities of outcome for pupils of a type mentioned in section 3A(2) of the 2000 Act (pupils who experience those inequalities as a result of socio-economic disadvantage), and the educational benefits for those pupils that they consider will result from taking those steps.

The day prescribed as the day on which the planning period begins for the purposes of section 3E(1) is 1st January. The first planning period will run from 1st January to 31st December 2017.