

Education Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 20

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An Act to amend the law relating to education.

[3rd April 1980]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Act amended by Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51, SIF 81:1), s. 18(2)
- C2 Act applied by Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (c. 61, SIF 41:1), s. 51(10)
- C3 Act amended by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), ss. 163(1), 231(7), 235(6)
- C4 Act modified by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), ss. 231(7), 235(6), 236(2)(a) Act modified (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 35, s. 236(3); S.I. 1994/507, art.4, Sch.2
- C5 Act applied (Canterbury and York except Channel Islands and Isle of Man) (1.8.1991) by Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 1991 (No. 2, SIF 41:1), s. 7(3); Archbishops' Instrument made 26.7.1991
- C6 Act: certain functions transferred (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1
- C7 Act applied (1.6.2001) by S.I. 2001/1507, reg. 2, Sch. 2 art. 2

Commencement Information

II Act not in force at Royal Assent see s. 37(2); Act wholly in force at 1.7.1982

School government

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Textual Amendments

F1 s. 1 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, SCh. 39)

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Textual Amendments

F5 S. 5 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

Admission to schools

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Textual Amendments

F6 S. 6 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

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F7	S. 7 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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F8	S. 8 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt.I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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F9	S. 9 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I, Sch. 39 (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
	School attendance orders
^{F10} 10	E+W
	al Amendments
F10	S. 10 repealed (1.10.1993) by 1993 c. 35, ss. 303(4), 307(1)(3), Sch. 19 para. 75, Sch. 21 Pt.I ; S.I. 1993/1975, art. 9, Sch. 1 and expressed to be repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt.I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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	al Amendments
F11	S. 11 repealed (1.10.1993) by 1993 c. 35, ss. 303(4), 307(1)(3), Sch. 19 para. 75, Sch. 21 Pt.I ; S.I. 1993/1975, art. 9, Sch. 1 and expressed to be repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. 1 (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
	Establishment, discontinuance and eration of schools

Al Amendments S. 12 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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al Amendments S. 14 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I, Sch. 39 (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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l Amendments
S. 15 repealed and superseded (1.8.1992 in relation to primary schools and 4.8.1990 in relation to
secondary schools) by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), ss. 31(1) , 231(7), 235(6)(and also expressed to be repealed and superseded (<i>prosp.</i>) by s. 237(2), Sch. 13 Pt. II of that act); S.I. 1988/1459, art. 5(1); S.I. 1991/409 art. 6(2); s. 15 is wholly repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38, Pt. I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
also expressed to be repealed and superseded (<i>prosp.</i>) by s. 237(2), Sch. 13 Pt. II of that act); S.I. 1988/1459, art. 5(1) ; S.I. 1991/409 art. 6(2); s. 15 is wholly repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss.

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F17 S. 17 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt. I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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Textual Amendments

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F18 S.18 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt.I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
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19 Awards for further and higher education. E+W

For sections 1 to 4 of the MI Education Act 1962 and Schedule I to that Act (awards for further and higher education) there shall be substituted the provisions set out in Schedule 5 to this Act which—

- (a) extend the courses capable of designation under section I to include certain courses provided in conjunction with overseas institutions;
- (b) incorporate the effect of amendments made by the M2 Education Act 1973, M3 the Education Act 1975 and the M4 Education Act 1976; and
- (c) omit provisions that are spent or no longer required.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C8 The text of S. 19 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutesin Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

M1 1962 c. 12.

M2 1973 c. 16.

M3 1975 c. 2.

M4 1976 c. 81.

20 Industrial scholarships. X1 E+W+N.I.

- (1) The Secretary of State may award industrial scholarships or make payments to any other person in respect of the award of such scholarships by that person.
- (2) In this section "industrial scholarships" means scholarships (however described) tenable by persons undertaking full-time courses of higher education provided by a university, college or other institution in the United Kingdom, being courses which appear to the Secretary of State or, as the case may be, the person awarding the scholarships to be relevant to a career in industry.
- (3) In subsection (2) above the reference to a full-time course includes a reference to a course consisting of ernate periods of—
 - (a) full-time study in the university, college or institution in question; and

(b) associated industrial, professional or commercial experience; and the reference in that subsection to a course provided by a university, college or institution in the United Kingdom includes a reference to a course provided by such a university, college or institution in conjunction with a university, college or other institution in another country.

Editorial Information

X1 S. 20 repealed (S.) by Education (Scotland)) Act 1980 (c. 44), Sch. 5

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Textual Amendments

F19 S. 21 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

School meals

^{F20}22 E+W

Textual Amendments

F20 S. 22 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

23 F21 E+W

Textual Amendments

F21 S. 23 repealed by Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 44), Sch. 5

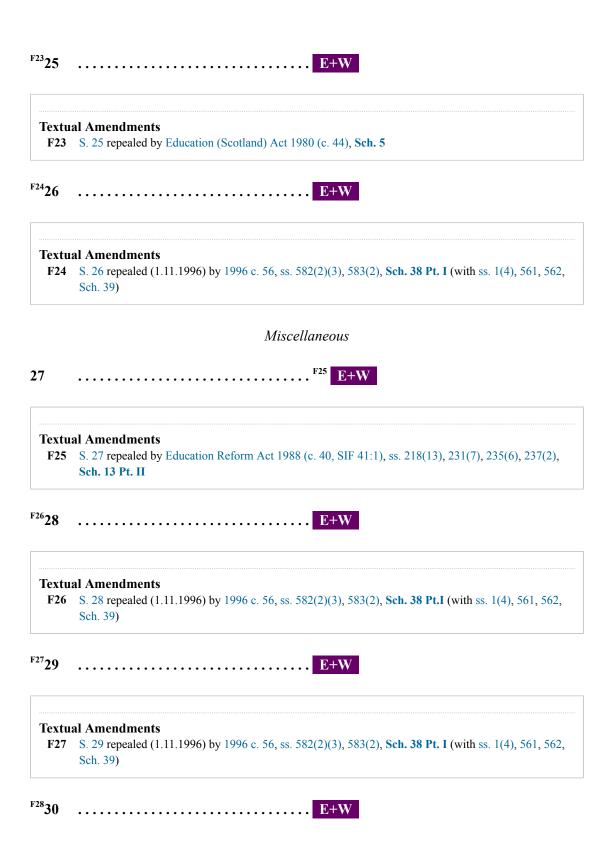
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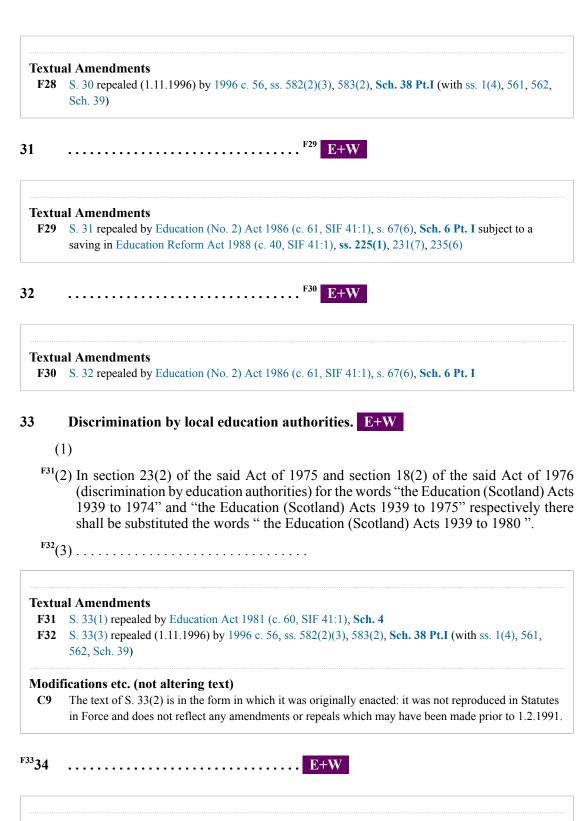
F²²24 E+W

Textual Amendments

F22 S. 24 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

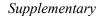
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Textual Amendments

F33 S. 34 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)



F34**3**5 E+W+N.I.

Textual Amendments

F34 S. 35 repealed (S.) by Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 44), **Sch. 5** and s. 35 is wholly repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt.I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

36 Expenses. E+W

There shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament—

- (a) any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under this Act; and
- (b) any increase attributable to this Act in the sums payable out of such moneys under any other Act.

^{F35}37 E+W+N.I.

Textual Amendments

F35 S. 37 repealed (S.) by Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 44), **Sch. 5** and s. 37 wholly repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

38 Citation, construction, repeals and extent. X2 E+W+N.I.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Education Act 1980.

[F37(3) This Act shall, in its application to England and Wales, be construed as one with the Education Act 1996.]

(7) [F39In this Act section 20 and this section extend to Northern Ireland,] but save as aforesaid this Act extends to England and Wales only.

Editorial Information

X2 S. 38 repealed (S.) by Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 44), Sch. 5

Textual Amendments

F36 S. 38(2)(4)-(6) repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(1)(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 37 Pt. I para. 47, Sch. 38 Pt.I (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

- **F37** S. 38(3) substituted (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(1)(3), **Sch. 37 Pt. I para. 47(3)** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
- **F38** S. 38(5A) inserted (1.5.1991) by Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40, SIF 41:1), **ss. 31(6)**, 231(7), 235(6); S.I. 1991/409, **art. 6(4)** and s. 38(2)(4)-(6) repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(1)(2) (3), 583(2), Sch. 37 Pt. I para. 47(2), **Sch. 38 Pt.I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
- **F39** Words in s. 38(7) substituted (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(1),(3), Sch. 37 Pt. I para. 47(4) (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

Education Act 1980 (c. 20) SCHEDULE 1

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Textual Amendments

F40 Sch. 1 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

F44SCHEDULE 2 E+W

Textual Amendments

F44 Sch. 2 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

F56SCHEDULE 3 E+W

Textual Amendments

F56 Sch. 3 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

F61SCHEDULE 4 E+W

Textual Amendments

F61 Sch. 4 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

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SCHEDULE 5 E+W

Section 19.

PROVISIONS SUBSTITUTED IN THE EDUCATION ACT 1962

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C58 The text of Sch. 5 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Local education authority awards for designated courses.

- "(1) It shall be the duty of every local education authority, subject to and in accordance with regulations made under this Act, to bestow on persons who are ordinarily resident in the area of the authority awards in respect of their attendance at courses to which this section applies.
 - (2) This section applies to any course which
 - (a) is provided by a university, college or other institution in the United Kingdom or by such a university, college or institution in conjunction with a university, college or other institution in another country; and
 - (b) is designated by or under the regulations for the purposes of this section as being such a course as is mentioned in subsection (3) of this section.
 - (3) The courses referred to in subsection (2)(b) of this section are—
 - (a) full-time courses which are either first degree courses or comparable to first degree courses;
 - (b) full-time courses for the diploma of higher education;
 - (c) courses for the initial training of teachers;
 - (d) full-time courses for the higher national diploma, for the higher diploma of the Technician Education Council or for the higher national diploma of the Business Education Council.
 - (4) A local education authority shall not be under a duty under subsection (1) above to bestow an award on a person in respect of a course designated as comparable to a first degree course unless he possesses such educational qualifications as may be prescribed by or under the regulations, either generally or with respect to that course or a class of courses which includes that course.
 - (5) Regulations made for the purposes of subsection (1) of this section shall prescribe the conditions and exceptions subject to which the duty imposed by that subsection is to have effect, and the descriptions of payments to be made in pursuance of awards bestowed there-under, and, with respect to each description of payments, shall—
 - (a) prescribe the circumstances in which it is to be payable, and the amount of the payment or the scales or other provisions by reference to which that amount is to be determined, and
 - (b) indicate whether the payment is to be obligatory or is to be at the discretion of the authority bestowing the award;

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and, subject to the exercise of any power conferred by the regulations to suspend or terminate awards, a local education authority by whom an award has been bestowed under subsection (1) of this section shall be under a duty, or shall have power, as the case may be, to make such payments as they are required or authorised to make in accordance with the regulations.

- (6) Without prejudice to the duty imposed by subsection (1) of this section, a local education authority shall have power to bestow an award on any person in respect of his attendance at a course to which this section applies, where he is not eligible for an award under subsection (1) of this section in respect of that course.
- (7) The provisions of subsection (5) of this section and of the regulations made in accordance with that subsection (except so much of those provisions as relates to the conditions and exceptions subject to which the duty imposed by subsection (1) of this section is to have effect) shall apply in relation to awards under the last preceding subsection as they apply in relation to awards under subsection (1) of this section.
- (8) The reference in subsection (1) of this section to persons who are ordinarily resident in the area of a local education authority is a reference to persons who, in accordance with the provisions of Schedule I to this Act, are to be treated as being so resident.

Local authority awards for other courses.

- 2 (1) A local education authority shall have power to bestow awards on persons over compulsory school age (including persons undergoing training as teachers) in respect of their attendance at courses to which this section applies and to make such payments as are payable in pursuance of such awards.
 - (2) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, this section applies to any course of full-time or part-time education (whether held in Great Britain or elsewhere) which is not a course of primary or secondary education, or (in the case of a course held outside Great Britain) is not a course of education comparable to primary or secondary education in Great Britain, and is not a course to which section I of this Act applies.
 - (3) Except in the case of a person undergoing training as a teacher who attends the course as such training, this section does not apply to any course provided by a university, college or other institution which is for the time being designated by or under regulations made for the purposes of this section as being a postgraduate course or comparable to a postgraduate course.

Awards by Secretary of State.

- Provision may be made by regulations under this Act for authorising the Secretary of State—
 - (a) to pay grants to or in respect of persons undergoing training as teachers;

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- (b) to bestow awards on persons in respect of their attendance at such courses provided by universities, colleges or other institutions (whether in Great Britain or elsewhere) as may for the time being be designated by or under the regulations for the purposes of this section as being postgraduate courses or comparable to postgraduate courses;
- (c) to bestow awards on persons who, at such time as may be prescribed by the regulations, have attained such age as may be so prescribed, being awards in respect of their attendance at courses provided by any institution which—
 - (i) is in receipt of payments under section 100 of the Education Act 1944 or section 75 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1962 and
 - (ii) is designated by or under the regulations as a college providing long-term residential courses of full-time education for adults;

and in the case of awards bestowed in accordance with paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, for authorising the Secretary of State to make such payments as are payable in pursuance of the awards.

Provisions supplementary to ss. 1 to 3.

- 4 (1) For the purposes of the exercise of any power or the performance of any duty conferred or imposed by or under any of the provisions of sections 1 to 3 of this Act, it is immaterial—
 - (a) whether an award is designated by that name or as a scholarship, studentship, exhibition or bursary or by any similar description, or
 - (b) in what terms the bestowal of an award is expressed.
 - (2) Any enactment contained in those sections which requires or authorises the making of regulations shall be construed as requiring or authorising regulations to be made by the Secretary of State; and regulations made for the purposes of any such enactment may make different provision for different cases to which that enactment is applicable.
 - (3) Without prejudice to subsection (2) above, regulations under section 3(a) or (c) above may make in relation to persons ordinarily resident in Wales provision different from that made in relation to persons so resident in England.
 - (4) Any power to make regulations under those sections shall be exercisable by statutory instrument; and any statutory instrument containing any such regulations shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
 - (5) In sections 2 and 3 of this Act "training" (in relation to training as a teacher) includes further training, whether the person undergoing the further training is already qualified as a teacher or not; and any reference to a person undergoing training includes a person admitted or accepted by the appropriate university, college or other authorities for undergoing that training.

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ORDINARY RESIDENCE

- The provisions of this Schedule shall have effect for the purposes of section I of this Act.
- Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, a person shall be treated for those purposes as ordinarily resident in the area of a local education authorfty if he would fall to be treated as belonging to that area for the purposes of section 31(3) of the Education Act 1980.
- Regulations made under this Act may modify the operation of the last preceding paragraph in relation to cases where a person applies for an award under section I of this Act in respect of a course and, at any time within the period of twelve months ending with the date on which that course is due to begin, a change occurs or has occurred in the circumstances by reference to which (apart from this paragraph) his place of ordinary residence would fall to be determined.
- 4 Regulations made under this Act may make provision whereby a person who under paragraph 2 of this Schedule would fall to be treated for the purposes of section I of this Act as not being ordinarily resident in the area is to be treated for those purposes as being ordinarily resident in the area of such local education authority as may be specified by or under the regulations.
- Subsections (1), (2) and (4) of section 4 of this Act shall have effect in relation to paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Schedule as they have effect in relation to section I of this Act."

SCHEDULE 6 F62 E+W

Textual Amendments

F62 Sch. 6 repealed by Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (c. 61, SIF 41:1) S. 67(6), Sch. 6 Pt.I

F63SCHEDULE 7 E+W

Textual Amendments

F63 Sch. 7 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), **Sch. 38 Pt. I** (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

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