



Further and Higher Education Act 1992

1992 CHAPTER 13

PART I

FURTHER EDUCATION

CHAPTER II

INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE FURTHER EDUCATION SECTOR

Miscellaneous

45 Religious education.

- [^{F1}(1) This section applies to any institution to which section 44 of this Act applies.
- (2) An institution is of voluntary origin for the purposes of this section if it is of voluntary origin for the purposes of section 44 of this Act.
- (2A) The governing body of an institution to which this section applies shall ensure that religious education is provided at the institution for all persons attending the institution who wish to receive it.]
- (3) The governing body of [^{F2}an institution to which this section applies] shall be deemed to be fulfilling its duty under this section if religious education is provided at a time or times at which it is convenient for the majority of full time students to attend.
- (4) For the purposes of this section religious education may take the form of a course of lectures or classes or of single lectures or classes provided on a regular basis and may include a course of study leading to an examination or the award of a qualification.
- (5) The form and content of religious education provided pursuant to this section shall be determined from time to time by the governing body of [^{F3}institution to which this section applies] and—
- (a) in the case of an institution of voluntary origin—

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- (i) shall be in accordance with the provisions of any trust deed affecting the institution, and
 - (ii) shall not be contrary to the religious traditions of the institution before it [^{F4}joined the further education sector];
- (b) in the case of all [^{F5}other institutions to which this section applies] shall reflect the fact that the religious traditions in Great Britain are in the main Christian whilst taking account of the teaching and practices of the other principal religions represented in Great Britain.

^{F6}(6)

[^{F7}(7) In the application of this section to an institution which is an institution of voluntary origin by virtue of section 44(2)(d), subsection (5)(a)(ii) shall be taken as referring to the religious traditions and practices of the two institutions mentioned in section 44(2)(d).]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 45(2)-(2A) substituted for s. 44(1)(2) (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(2)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F2** Words in s. 45(3) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(3)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F3** Words in s. 45(5) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(4)(a)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F4** Words in s. 45(5)(a)(ii) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(4)(b)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F5** Words in s. 45(5)(b) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(4)(c)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F6** S. 45(6) repealed (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, 153, **Sch. 9 para. 28(5)**, **Sch. 11**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
- F7** S. 45(7) inserted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, **Sch. 9 para. 28(6)**; S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. I**; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, **Sch. Pt. III** (with transitional provisions in art. 3)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 45 partly in force: s. 45 in force for certain purposes at 1.4.1993 see s. 94(3) and Sch. 3

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 16(6) inserted by [2007 c. 25 s. 14\(4\)](#)
- s. 17(2)(aa) inserted by [2007 c. 25 s. 14\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 27(3A)(3B) inserted by [2007 c. 25 s. 15\(4\)](#)
- s. 27(9) inserted by [2007 c. 25 s. 15\(7\)](#)
- s. 51(1)-(2A) substituted for s. 51(1)(2) by [2007 c. 25 s. 16\(2\)](#)
- s. 76(8)(9) inserted by [2017 c. 29 s. 52\(4\)](#)
- s. 85D inserted by [2009 c. 22 s. 247](#)
- s. 85D(7) words inserted by [S.I. 2016/413 reg. 140](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day that section 85D of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (c. 13) comes into force. That provision is still prospective.)