

*These notes refer to the Education Act 2005 (c.18)
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EDUCATION ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 1: School Inspections and Other Inspections by School Inspectors

Chapter 7 - Supplementary

Section 59: Combined reports

133. This section applies to inspections carried out under:
- i) this Part of the Act;
 - ii) Part 10A of the Children Act 1989 (child minding and day care for children);
 - iii) section 122 of, and Schedule 26 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (inspection of nursery education); and
 - iv) Chapter 1 of Part 10 of the Education Act 2002 (regulation of independent schools).
134. *Subsection (2)* allows for the reports of inspections carried out under two or more of the above mentioned provisions to be produced as a combined report. This provision gives the Chief Inspectors for England and Wales and others responsible for making inspection reports the flexibility to merge two or more reports into a single report.
135. *Subsection (3)* ensures that, where combined reports of different types of inspection are made, any legal requirements as to the publication or distribution of a report that apply to the different inspections apply equally to combined reports. *Subsection (4)* makes provision for the Chief Inspector for England (or for Wales) to publish combined reports in any manner he considers appropriate, but makes clear that this does not override any duties as to publication in other legislation.