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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 1885**

**EDUCATION, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**WALES**

**The Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) Order 1998**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>29th July 1998</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>7th August 1998</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>31st August 1998</i>

Whereas, following the referral to it of a proposal by the Secretary of State in accordance with subsection (2) of section 368 of the Education Act 1996<sup>(1)</sup>, Awdurdod Cymwysterau, Cwricwlwm ac Asesu Cymru or the Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales (“the Authority”)<sup>(2)</sup> has, in accordance with subsection (3) of that section, given notice thereof to the bodies and persons referred to in that subsection and afforded them a reasonable opportunity of submitting evidence and representations as to the issues arising;

And whereas, in accordance with directions given by the Secretary of State under the said subsection (2), the Authority has submitted its report to the Secretary of State in accordance with subsection (4) of the said section 368;

And whereas the Authority has, after submitting its report to the Secretary of State, arranged for it to be published in accordance with subsection (5) of that section;

And whereas the Secretary of State has published a draft of the Regulations and sent copies of it to the Authority and all those who were consulted by the Authority, and has allowed a period of not less than one month for the submission of evidence and representations as to the issues arising in accordance with subsection (7) of that section:

Now therefore the Secretary of State for Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 356(2)(a) and (b) and (4) and 568(5) and (6) of the Education Act 1996, hereby makes the following Order in the terms of the said draft:

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(1) 1996 c. 56. Section 368 is amended by paragraph 28 of Schedule 7 to the Education Act 1997 (c. 44).  
(2) Awdurdod Cymwysterau, Cwricwlwm ac Asesu Cymru or the Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales was established by section 14(1)(b) of the Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40) under the name of the Curriculum Council for Wales, renamed as the Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales by section 253(1) of the Education Act 1993 (c. 35), continued in existence under that name by section 360 of the Education Act 1996 and given its current name by section 27(1) of the Education Act 1997.

### **Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) Order 1998 and shall come into force on 31st August 1998.

(2) In this Order—

“the Document” means the Document published by Her Majesty’s Stationery Office in January 1995 entitled “Geography in the National Curriculum (Wales)”<sup>(3)</sup>; and

references to the first, second and third key stages are to the periods mentioned in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) respectively of section 355(1) of the Education Act 1996.

(3) This Order applies only in relation to schools in Wales.

### **Revocation**

2. The Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) Order 1995<sup>(4)</sup> is hereby revoked.

### **Specification of attainment targets and programmes of study**

3.—(1) Paragraph (2) below applies in relation to pupils in the first and second key stages at schools in Wales, but only in relation to the school years beginning in 1998 and 1999 respectively.

(2) It is hereby directed that the provisions relating to attainment targets and programmes of study set out in the Document shall have effect for the purpose of specifying the attainment targets and programmes of study in relation to geography with the amendments specified in the Schedule.

(3) Paragraph (4) below applies—

(a) in relation to pupils in the first and second key stages at schools in Wales, but only in relation to school years beginning in or after 2000; and

(b) in relation to pupils in the third key stage at such schools (in relation to any school year).

(4) It is hereby directed that the provisions relating to attainment targets and programmes of study set out in the Document shall have effect for the purpose of specifying attainment targets and programmes of study in relation to geography.

4. The examples printed in italics in the Document (which serve to illustrate the programmes of study described therein) do not form part of the provision made by this Order.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Wales

29th July 1998

*Peter Hain*  
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Office

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## SCHEDULE

### AMENDMENT OF THE DOCUMENT AS IT APPLIES IN THE FIRST AND SECOND KEY STAGES IN THE SCHOOL YEARS COMMENCING IN 1998 AND 1999.

1. The Document is amended as follows.
  2. In the section headed “KEY STAGE 1 PROGRAMME OF STUDY”:
    - (a) in the box which appears immediately below that heading, the words “and one theme” are omitted; and
    - (b) the heading “THEME”, and paragraphs 5 and 6 below that heading, are omitted.
  3. In the section headed “KEY STAGE 2 PROGRAMME OF STUDY”:
    - (a) in the box which appears immediately below that heading, there is substituted for “Pupils should carry out studies of three places and four themes.”, “Pupils should carry out studies of three places and of the theme entitled ‘Environmental change.’”;
    - (b) under the heading “Themes”, in paragraph 5 there is substituted for “The four themes below should be studied.”, “The theme entitled ‘Environmental change’ (paragraph 9) should be studied.”; and
    - (c) under that heading, paragraphs 6 (Rivers), 7 (Weather) and 8 (Economic activities) are omitted.
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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order provides for provisions specified in relation to the first, second and third key stages of a pupil’s compulsory schooling in the document published by Her Majesty’s Stationery Office entitled “Geography in the National Curriculum (Wales)” to have effect for the purpose of specifying attainment targets and programmes of study for geography in relation to schools in Wales. In the case of pupils in the first and second key stages, for the school years beginning in 1998 and 1999 those provisions apply with the amendments specified in the Schedule to the Order, but otherwise all the provisions apply.

The Order, which comes into force on 31st August 1998, supersedes the provisions of the Education (National Curriculum) (Attainment Targets and Programmes of Study in Geography) (Wales) Order 1995.