
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations further amend the Disability Discrimination (Public Authorities)(Statutory Duties) Regulations 2005 ([S.I.2005/2966](#)). Those Regulations impose duties on public authorities listed in Schedule 1 to prepare and publish a Disability Equality Scheme, to revise it at intervals, to implement certain components of the Scheme, and publish an annual report of progress.

The main purpose of the present Regulations is to extend the list of public authorities to which the duties imposed by the 2005 Regulations apply. The additional public authorities named in new Part VI of Schedule 1 to the 2005 Regulations are required to publish a Disability Equality Scheme on or before 1st December 2008.

These Regulations also impose a duty on any public authority listed in Parts I to V of Schedule 1 but which is created on or after the applicable relevant publication date for that Part (or in the case of those authorities listed in Parts I and II, after 3rd December 2007), to publish a Disability Equality Scheme within a year of the date of its creation. A relevant publication date of 1st December 2008 is specified where a public authority listed in Parts I and II of Schedule 1 was created between 4th December 2006 and 3rd December 2007.

A full impact assessment has not been published for this instrument as it has no impact on the private or voluntary sectors.