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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2006 No. 172 (W.23)(C.2)**

**EDUCATION, WALES**

**The Education Act 2002 (Commencement  
No. 8) (Wales) Order 2006**

*Made - - - - 31 January 2006*

The National Assembly for Wales, in exercise of the power conferred upon it by section 216(4)(b) and (5) of the Education Act 2002<sup>(1)</sup>, hereby makes the following Order:

**Title, application and interpretation**

1. The title of this Order is the Education Act 2002 (Commencement No.8) (Wales) Order 2006.
2. Provisions brought into force by this Order are brought into force in relation to Wales.
3. In this Order, unless otherwise stated, references to sections and Schedules are references to sections of and Schedules to the Education Act 2002.

**Appointed days**

4. The day appointed for the coming into force of the provisions specified in the Schedule to this Order is 1 February 2006.
5. The day appointed for the coming into force of section 175 is 1 September 2006.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998<sup>(2)</sup>.

31 January 2006

*D. Elis-Thomas*  
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

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(1) 2002 c. 32.  
(2) 1998 p.31.

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## THE SCHEDULE

Article 4

Provisions coming into force on 1 February 2006

<b>Provision</b>	<b>Subject matter</b>
Section 47	Admission numbers
Section 48	Co-ordination of admission arrangements
Section 51 in so far as not already in force	Further amendments relating to admission arrangements
Section 215(2) in so far as it relates to the provisions of Schedule 22 below	Repeals
Schedule 4, paragraphs 3(6), 5,6,7,12(2) and (6), 13,14	
Schedule 22, Part 3, the repeal of— School Standards and Framework Act 1998(1), in section 84(6), the definition of “the relevant standard number”, section 86(6) section 93, in section 143 the entry relating to relevant standard number, Schedule 23	Repeals

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

This Order brings into force on 1 February 2006 those provisions of the Education Act 2002 specified in the Schedule to this Order.

References below to sections and Schedules (without more) are references to sections of and Schedules to the Education Act 2002.

In the case of provisions brought into force by this Order which amend existing legislation, references to the Secretary of State in those provisions are to be read, in relation to Wales, as references to the National Assembly for Wales — see section 211.

The effect of the provisions specified in the Schedule to this Order is as follows—

Section 47 amends the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (“the 1998 Act”) in relation to arrangements for admission to maintained schools. Schools are no longer required to have standard numbers (which relate to the numbers of pupils to be admitted in a school year). In determining admission arrangements for a school, admission authorities will be required to set an admission number. Regulations and guidance will make provision as to the calculation of that number. Until the admission authority have admitted that number of pupils, the duty to comply with parental preference applies. Section 47 also amends section 86 of the 1998 Act to allow for separate admission numbers for day and boarding places where schools provide boarding accommodation.

Section 48 amends the 1998 Act to allow the National Assembly for Wales to make regulations requiring LEAs to co-ordinate school admission arrangements.

Section 51 and the provisions commenced in Schedule 4 make further amendments to the 1998 Act in relation to school admission arrangements. These include providing governing bodies of community and voluntary controlled schools with a right to be consulted about the admission arrangements which admission authorities for other schools in their areas propose to make.

Section 175 imposes a duty on LEAs and governing bodies of maintained schools and FE institutions, requiring them to make arrangements in relation to the welfare of children. In addition, they must have regard to any guidance issued by the National Assembly in determining what arrangements they must make to comply with their duties.

### NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

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

The following provisions of the Education Act 2002 have been brought into force in relation to Wales by commencement order made before the date of this Order:

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Sections 14 to 17	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 18(2)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 19(6) (partially)	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 19 (1) to (7) (fully)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Section 20 (1) to (3), (5)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Sections 21 and 22	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Section 23	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Sections 27 and 28	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 29	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 30	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Section 32	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Sections 33 and 34	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Section 39(1) (partially)	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.178)
Section 39 (fully)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Section 40 (partially)	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 41	4 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 42	4 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 43	1 November 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 46	1 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 49	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 50	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
Section 51 (partially)	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)

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(partially) (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
(partially)	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
Section 52 (partially)	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(fully)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Section 53	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Sections 54 to 56	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 60 to 64	1 August 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 72	1 August 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Section 75 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 97 and 98	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 99(1)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 100 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 101 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 103	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 105 to 107	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 108 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 109	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 111 to 118	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 119	1 October 2002	2002/2439
Section 120(1) and (3) to (5)	1 October 2002	2002/2439
Section 120(2)	1 August 2003	2003/1667
Section 121	1 October 2002	2002/2439
Section 122 to 129	1 August 2003	2003/1667
Section 130 (partially)	1 October 2002	2002/2439
(fully)	1 August 2003	2003/1667
Section 131	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 132 and 133	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 134 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 135	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 136 to 140	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 141	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 142 to 144	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 145	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 146 (partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of Commencement</i>	<i>S.I. No.</i>
Section 148 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 149	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 150	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 151(2)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 152 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 154 (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
Section 155	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Section 156 (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
Sections 157 to 174	1 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 176	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Section 177 (W.95)	1 August 2004	2004/912
Section 178(1) and (4)	1 August 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 179 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 180	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 181 to 185	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W. 185)
Section 188 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	1 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 189 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 191 to 194	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 195 (partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
(fully)	1 September 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 196	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 197	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 198 (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
Section 199	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 200	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Section 201 (partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Sections 202 and 203	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 206	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Section 207 and 208	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
Section 215 (partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	1 August 2003	2003/1718 (W.185) and 2003/1667

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(partially)	1 September 2003	2002/3185 (W.301) and 2003/1718 (W.185)
(partially)	4 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	1 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially) (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
(partially) (W.95) and 2004/1728 (W.172)	1 August 2004	2004/912
(partially)	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
(partially)	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
(partially)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Schedule 1, paragraph 3 (partially)	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Schedule 1 (fully)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)
Schedule 3, paragraphs 1 to 5	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Schedule 4, paragraphs 1 and 4	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
Paragraphs 2, 3(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (7), (8), 8, 9, 10, 11	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
Paragraph 12(1), (3) to (5)	31 March 2004	2004/0912 (W.95)
Schedule 5	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 9	1 August 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Schedule 10, paragraphs 1, 6, 11 and 15	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 11	1 October 2002	2002/2439
Schedule 12, paragraphs 1, 2, 4(1) and (3), 6 and 7	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Paragraph 12(1) and (2)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 13, paragraphs 1 to 3, 5, 6, 7(1) and (3) and 8	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 14, paragraphs 1 to 7	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
Schedule 16, paragraphs 1 to 3	1 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
Paragraphs 4 to 9	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 17, paragraphs 5(1) to (4), (6) and 6 to 8	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 18, paragraphs 1, 4, 5 and 7,	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Paragraph 8 (partially),	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)

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Paragraphs 13 to 15,	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Paragraphs 2, 3, 6, 8 (fully), 9 to 12 and 16 to 18	1 September 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
Schedule 19	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Schedule 20	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
Schedule 21 (partially)	1 October 2002	2002/2439
(partially)	19 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	1 August 2003	2003/1667
(partially)	1 September 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
(partially)	4 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	1 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	31 March 2004	2004/0912 (W.95)
(partially)	1 August 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
(partially)	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
(partially)	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
(partially)	31 October 2005	2005/ 2910 (W.207)
Schedule 22 (partially)	1 October 2002	2002/2439
(partially)	9 December 2002	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	31 March 2003	2002/3185 (W.301)
(partially)	1 August 2003	2003/1718 (W.185)
(partially) 2003/1667	1 September 2003	2002/3185 (W.301), 2003/1718 (W.185) and
(partially)	4 December 2003	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	1 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially)	9 January 2004	2003/2961 (W.278)
(partially) (W.95)	31 March 2004	2004/912
(partially)	1 August 2004	2004/0912 (W.95)
(partially)	1 September 2004	2004/1728 (W.172)
(partially)	31 May 2005	2005/1395 (W.109)
(partially)	31 October 2005	2005/2910 (W.207)

Various provisions of the Education Act 2002 have been brought into force in relation to England by the following Statutory Instruments: S.I. 2002/2002 (as amended by S.I. 2002/2018), S.I. 2002/2439 (as amended by S.I. 2003/606 (revoked) and 2003/2992), S.I. 2002/2952, S.I. 2003/124, S.I. 2003/1115, S.I. 2003/1667, S.I. 2003/2071 and S.I. 2004/1318.

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