### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 2006

# PART II THE CURRICULUM

Statutory requirements relating to curriculum

### **Skills**

- **8.**—(1) The curriculum for a grant-aided school must ensure, wholly or mainly through the teaching of the minimum content of areas of learning and religious education, the acquisition and development by pupils of—
  - (a) the cross-curricular skills; and
  - (b) any other skills specified by order of the Department.
  - (2) The cross-curricular skills are—
    - (a) communication;
    - (b) using mathematics;
    - (c) using information and communications technology.
- (3) The Department may by order specify, in relation to a cross-curricular skill and pupils in key stages 1, 2, 3 and 4, such levels of progression as it considers appropriate for that skill.
  - (4) It is the duty of the Department so to exercise the powers conferred by paragraph (3) as—
    - (a) to set in place as soon as is practicable levels of progression in relation to pupils in key stages 1, 2 and 3; and
    - (b) to revise any existing levels of progression whenever it considers it necessary or appropriate to do so.