

*These notes refer to the Education Act 2002 (c.32)  
which received Royal Assent on 24 July 2002*

# **EDUCATION ACT 2002**

---

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES**

#### **Part 3 – Maintained Schools**

##### *Chapter 1 – Government of maintained schools*

##### *Section 21: General responsibility for conduct of school*

83. This section re-enacts section 38 of the SSFA. It sets out the governing body's responsibility for the conduct of the school, with an emphasis on promoting high standards. It also provides a power to make regulations on other matters relating to the conduct of the school. In particular, the section re-enacts the existing power to make regulations defining the respective roles and responsibilities of the governing body and the head teacher, but extends it to cover the role and responsibilities of the LEA.