



Equality Act 2010

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PART 6

EDUCATION

CHAPTER 1

SCHOOLS

89 Interpretation and exceptions

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Chapter.
- (2) Nothing in this Chapter applies to anything done in connection with the content of the curriculum.
- (3) “Pupil”—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales, has the meaning given in section 3(1) of the [Education Act 1996](#);
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, has the meaning given in section 135(1) of the [Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980](#).
- (4) “Proprietor”—
 - (a) in relation to a school in England and Wales, has the meaning given in section 579(1) of the [Education Act 1996](#);
 - (b) in relation to a school in Scotland, has the meaning given in section 135(1) of the [Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980](#).
- (5) “School”—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales, has the meaning given in section 4 of the [Education Act 1996](#);
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, has the meaning given in section 135(1) of the [Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980](#).

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) A reference to a school includes a reference to an independent educational institution in England; and a reference to an independent educational institution in England is to be construed in accordance with Chapter 1 of Part 4 of the Education and Skills Act 2008.
- (7) A reference to an independent educational institution is a reference to—
- (a) an independent educational institution in England, or
 - (b) an independent school in Wales.
- (8) “Independent school”—
- (a) in relation to Wales, has the meaning given in section 463 of the Education Act 1996;
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, has the meaning given in section 135(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980.
- (9) “Special school” has the meaning given in section 337 of the Education Act 1996.
- (10) “Local authority” means—
- (a) in relation to England, an English local authority within the meaning of section 162 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006;
 - (b) in relation to Wales, a Welsh local authority within the meaning of that section.
- (11) “Education authority”, in relation to Scotland, has the meaning given in section 135(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980.
- (12) Schedule 11 (exceptions) has effect.