
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Education (School Information)
(England) Regulations 1998**

PART IV

INFORMATION TO BE PUBLISHED BY GOVERNING BODIES

General information to be published by governing bodies

8.—(1) Subject to regulation 9, the governing body of a maintained school shall publish as respects that school the information specified in Schedule 2.

(2) Subject to regulation 9, this information shall be published as provided in regulation 11.

Determination of examination results particulars and equivalency between GCSE examinations and vocational qualifications

9.—(1) The provisions of this regulation have effect for the purpose of determining the information specified in Schedule 2.

(2) Subject to paragraph (14), if a pupil has been entered for two or more examinations in the same subject in the same school year, or in different school years which are treated as the same school year by virtue of regulation 3(9), only the examination in which he achieved the higher or highest grade shall be taken into account.

(3) In the case of an examination leading to the award of GCSE in two subjects, a pupil shall be included only once in the number of pupils entered for the examination and taken into account only once in calculating the relevant percentages, but each grade awarded to him shall be treated as having been awarded in a separate subject.

(4) In the case of any GCSE examination for which pupils aged 15 were entered, the information shall commence with the subjects listed in the first column of Schedule 4 in the order in which they are so listed.

(5) For the purposes of this regulation, any GCSE examination in a subject listed in the first column of Schedule 4 is not to be treated as such unless the examination is in a syllabus referred to in the second column opposite that subject.

(6) For the purposes of paragraph 12(1)(e) of Schedule 2, where a pupil is awarded a grade in an examination relating to a GCSE short course, he shall be treated as having achieved that grade in half a GCSE subject.

(7) For the purposes of paragraph 12(1)(e) and (2) of Schedule 2, questions as to—

- (a) which vocational qualification award corresponds to which GCSE examination grade, and
- (b) the equivalency between GCSE examination results and vocational qualifications,

shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs (8) to (13) below.

(8) Where a pupil is awarded a Part One GNVQ (Intermediate level), he shall be treated as having achieved grade A* to C in two GCSE subjects.

(9) Where a pupil is awarded a Part One GNVQ (Foundation level), he shall be treated as having achieved grade D to G in two GCSE subjects.

(10) Where a pupil is awarded an Intermediate GNVQ, he shall be treated as having achieved grade A* to C in four GCSE subjects.

(11) Where a pupil is awarded a Foundation GNVQ, he shall be treated as having achieved grade D to G in four GCSE subjects.

(12) Where a pupil is awarded a GNVQ Language Unit (Intermediate level), he shall be treated as having achieved grade A* to C in half a GCSE subject.

(13) Where a pupil is awarded a GNVQ Language Unit (Foundation level), he shall be treated as having achieved grade D to G in half a GCSE subject.

(14) In the case of a pupil who has been entered for both GCE 'A' level and GCE 'AS' examinations in the same subject—

- (a) except in the circumstances described in sub-paragraph (b), only the GCE 'A' level examination result shall be taken into account;
- (b) where the pupil achieves grade N or fails to achieve a grade in the GCE 'A' level examination but achieves a grade between A and E inclusive in the GCE 'AS' examination, only the GCE 'AS' examination result shall be taken into account.

(15) Subject to paragraph (14), in calculating the number of GCE 'A' levels a pupil is entered for, one GCE 'AS' shall be treated as the equivalent of half a GCE 'A' level.

(16) Subject to paragraph (14), for the purpose of determining point scores in GCE 'A' level and GCE 'AS' examinations, the following grades of achievement equate to the following points, namely:

GCE 'A' level: grade A=10 points; grade B=8 points; grade C=6 points; grade D=4 points; and grade E=2 points;

GCE 'AS': grade A=5 points; grade B=4 points; grade C=3 points; grade D=2 points; and grade E=1 point.

Performance information relating to the reporting school year

10.—(1) This regulation applies where the information relating to the results of assessment, public examination results, vocational qualifications and units and school attendance referred to in paragraphs 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 15 of Schedule 2 for assessment undertaken, examinations held, qualifications achieved in, or attendance during the reporting school year, is not available in time for it to be reasonably practicable to publish the information in accordance with regulation 11.

(2) Where this regulation applies, the governing body shall, as soon as practicable after the information in question for the reporting school year is made available to them, and in any event not later than two weeks before the earlier of the two dates referred to in paragraph (3) of regulation 11, publish that information as a supplement to the school prospectus in the manner required by that regulation for the publication of the prospectus.

Publication of school prospectuses

11.—(1) This regulation applies in relation to the publication by the governing body of a maintained school of information in relation to the school specified in Schedule 2.

(2) In the case of any maintained school—

- (a) such information shall be published in a single document to be known as the school prospectus; and
 - (b) copies shall be made available at the school for distribution without charge to parents on request and for reference by parents and other persons.
- (3) The school prospectus shall be published during the publication school year and, except in the case of a primary school (other than a middle school deemed to be a primary school) or of a special school, it shall be published not later than six weeks before whichever is the earlier of the following dates—
- (a) the date by which an application for admission to that school in respect of the admission school year should be made in accordance with the arrangements for admission to that school;
 - (b) the date up to which parents may express a preference for a school in respect of the admission school year.
- (4) Where any information of the kind referred to in Schedule 2 is to be published by the relevant authority, it shall be supplied to them by the governing body and shall be published without material alteration.
- (5) In the case of a special school such information shall also be published by copies being made available at the offices of the relevant authority for distribution without charge to parents on request and reference by parents and other persons.
- (6) In the case of any maintained secondary school, a copy of the school prospectus shall be provided without charge to the offices in the area served by the school of persons providing careers services in accordance with arrangements made, or directions given, under section 10 of the Employment and Training Act 1973(1).

Publication of admissions arrangements

- 12.**—(1) This regulation applies in relation to the publication by the governing body of an aided or special agreement school of particulars of the arrangements mentioned in section 414(2), (3) and (4) of the 1996 Act (except where those particulars are being published by the authority on the governing body's behalf pursuant to section 414(8) of the 1996 Act).
- (2) Such particulars shall be published by copies being made available at the school for distribution without charge to parents on request and for reference by parents and other persons.
- (3) Such particulars shall be published during the publication school year and, except in the case of a primary school (other than a middle school deemed to be a primary school) or of a special school, it shall be published not later than six weeks before whichever is the earlier of the following dates—
- (a) the date by which an application for admission to that school in respect of the admission school year should be made in accordance with the arrangements for admission to that school;
 - (b) the date up to which parents may express a preference for a school in respect of the admission school year.
- (4) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this regulation, such particulars of the arrangements mentioned in subsection (2)(b) of section 414 of the 1996 Act (appeals against admissions decisions) shall also be published by being set out in any document containing a notification to parents of a decision referred to in subsection (2) of section 423 of that Act refusing their child admission to a school for which such parents have expressed a preference in accordance with arrangements made under subsection (1) of section 411 of that Act.

(1) 1973 c. 50.

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