STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 1437

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS, ENGLAND

The Local Authority Targets (Well-Being of Young Children) (Amendment) Regulations 2008

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Coming into force	14th July 2008

The Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families makes the following Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 1(3) of the Childcare Act 2006(1):

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Local Authority Targets (Well-Being of Young Children) (Amendment) Regulations 2008 and come into force on 14th July 2008.

2. In these Regulations, "the principal Regulations" means the Local Authority Targets (Well-Being of Young Children) Regulations 2007(**2**).

Amendments to the Local Authority Targets (Well-Being of Young Children) Regulations 2007

3. For paragraph (2) of regulation 1 of the principal Regulations substitute the following—

"(2) In these Regulations "early years foundation stage assessment scales" means the assessment scales described in Appendix 1 to the "Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage" document published by the Department for Children, Schools and Families in May 2008(3)."

4. In regulation 3, before "foundation stage assessment scales" insert "early years".

^{(1) 2006} c.21. See section 21 for the definition of "regulations".

⁽**2**) S.I. 2007/1415.

⁽³⁾ ISBN 978-1-84775-128-7. For the meaning of "the Early Years Foundation Stage", see section 39 of the Childcare Act 2006.

5th June 2008

Beverley Hughes Minister of State Department for Children, Schools and Families

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Section 1(1) of the Childcare Act 2006 ("the Act") places a duty on an English local authority to improve the well-being of, and reduce inequalities between, young children in the authority's area. The Local Authority Targets (Well-Being of Young Children) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/1415) ("the principal Regulations") set out the process to be followed by the Secretary of State in setting targets under section 1(3) of the Act in connection with that duty.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations so that targets are to be set by reference to one or more of the assessment scales set out in the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage, published by the Department for Children, Schools and Families in May 2008 with ISBN reference number 978-1-84775-128-7. Copies of the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage can be obtained from DCSF Publications, PO Box 5050, Sherwood Park, Annesley, Nottingham, NG15 0DJ (Telephone number: 0845 60 222 60). It can also be downloaded from the DCSF website at www.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/eyfs.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on business, charities or voluntary bodies is foreseen, and the impact on the public sector is minimal.