## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2014 No. 1530

# The Special Educational Needs and Disability Regulations 2014

## PART 2

Children and young people with special educational needs

Assessments

#### Duty to co-operate in EHC needs assessments

**8.**—(1) Where a local authority requests the co-operation of a body in securing an EHC needs assessment in accordance with section 31 of the Act, that body must comply with such a request within 6 weeks of the date on which they receive it.

(2) A body need not comply with the time limit referred to in paragraph (1) if it is impractical to do so because—

- (a) exceptional circumstances affect the child, the child's parent or the young person during that 6 week period;
- (b) the child, the child's parent or the young person are absent from the area of the authority for a continuous period of not less than 4 weeks during that 6 week period; [<sup>F1</sup>or]
- (c) the child or young person fails to keep an appointment for an examination or a test made by the body during that 6 week period [<sup>F2</sup>; or
- (d) of a reason relating to the incidence or transmission of coronavirus].

### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Word in reg. 8(2)(b) omitted (temp.) (1.5.2020) by virtue of The Special Educational Needs and Disability (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/471), regs. 1, 8(a) (with reg. 2(2))
- F2 Reg. 8(2)(d) and word inserted (temp.) (1.5.2020) by virtue of The Special Educational Needs and Disability (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/471), regs. 1, 8(b) (with reg. 2(2))

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Special Educational Needs and Disability Regulations 2014, Section 8.