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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**SOCIAL CARE, ENGLAND  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS, ENGLAND**

**The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015**

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**THE CHILDREN'S HOMES (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2015**

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SCHEDULE 1 — Matters to be included in the Statement of Purpose

1. Quality and purpose of care
2. Details of the home's ethos, the outcomes that the home...
3. A description of the accommodation offered by the home, including—...
4. A description of the location of the home.
5. The arrangements for supporting the cultural, linguistic and religious needs...
6. Details of who to contact if a person has a...
7. Details of how a person, body or organisation involved in...
8. Views, wishes and feelings
9. A description of the home's policy and approach in relation...
10. Education
11. If the home is registered as a school, details of...
12. If the home is not registered as a school, the...
13. Enjoyment and achievement
14. Health
15. Positive relationships
16. Protection of children
17. Details of the home's approach to behavioural support, including information...
18. Leadership and management
19. Details of the experience and qualifications of staff, including any...
20. Details of the management and staffing structure of the home,...
21. If the staff are all of one sex, or mainly...
22. Care planning

SCHEDULE 2 — Information required in respect of persons seeking to carry on, manage or work at a children's home

1. Proof of identity including a recent photograph.
2. Either— (a) where the position falls within regulation 5A of...
3. Two written references, including a reference from the person's most...
4. If a person has previously worked in a position involving...
5. Documentary evidence of any qualifications which the person considers relevant...
6. A full employment history, together with a satisfactory explanation of...

SCHEDULE 3 — Information to be included in each child's case records

1. Personal details in relation to the child
2. The child's date of birth and sex.

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).*

3. The child's religion, if any.
4. The child's ethnicity, and the child's cultural and linguistic background....
5. The child's address immediately before entering the home.
6. The address, and the type of establishment or accommodation, to...
7. The dates on which any money or valuables are deposited...
8. The statutory provision (if any) under which the child is...
9. Contact details of certain persons in relation to the child
10. The name, address, telephone number and the religion, if any,...
11. The name, address and telephone number of any social worker...
12. If the child attends a school or college—
13. The name, address and telephone number of any employer of...
14. Information relating to the care, protection or safety of the child
15. The date and circumstances of any measure of control, discipline...
16. Arrangements for, and any restrictions on, contact between the child,...
17. Plans or reports relating to the child
18. Every school report received in respect of the child while...
19. A copy of any plan for the care of the...
20. The date and result of any review of the placing...
21. Health matters in relation to the child
22. Details of any accident or serious illness involving the child...
23. Details of any immunisation, allergy, or medical examination of the...
24. Details of any health examination or developmental test conducted with...
25. Details of any medicines kept for the child in the...
26. Any special dietary or health needs of the child.

#### SCHEDULE 4 — Other records with respect to children's homes

1. Register of children
2. Staff, staff rosters, persons residing or working in the home, visitors
3. A copy of the staff duty roster of persons working...
4. A record of any persons who reside or work at...
5. A record of all visitors to the home, and to...
6. Fire drills
7. Accounts

#### SCHEDULE 5 — Modification of the Regulations for short breaks and secure children's homes

1. Modifications for short breaks
2. Regulation 6(2)(b)(vi) (the quality and purpose of care standard) applies...
3. Modifications for secure children's homes
4. Regulation 21 (privacy and access) applies to a secure children's...
5. In the case of a youth justice child (whether that...
6. In the case of a youth justice child who is...

Explanatory Note