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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 887**

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS, ENGLAND**

**The Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) (Amendment) Regulations 2016**

*Made* - - - - *6th September 2016*  
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*Coming into force* - - *30th September 2016*

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 7A, 9A and 104(2) of the Childcare Act 2006<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) (Amendment) Regulations 2016 and come into force on 30th September 2016.

**Amendment of the Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2014**

2.—(1) The Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2014<sup>(2)</sup> are amended as follows.

- (2) In regulation 6(2)(a)—
  - (a) after “3(2)”, insert “or 3(3)”; and for ““good”, or better,” substitute ““effective””; and
  - (b) after the semi-colon, insert “or”.
- (3) Omit regulation 6(2)(b).
- (4) In regulation 7—
  - (a) in paragraph (c), for ““good”, or better,” substitute ““effective””; and
  - (b) omit paragraph (d).

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(1) [2006 c.21](#). Section 7 was substituted by section 1(2) of the Education Act [2011 \(c.21\)](#). Section 7A was inserted by section 87 of the Children and Families Act [2014 \(c.6\)](#). See section 106 for the definitions of “prescribed” and “regulations”.

(2) [S.I. 2014/2147](#).

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6th September 2016

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2014 ([S.I. 2014/2147](#)) which make provision in respect of the duty imposed by section 7 of the Childcare Act 2006 on a local authority in England to provide childcare, free of charge, to each young child in its area.

Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends certain provisions in the Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2014 which relate to early years childminder agencies. These amendments are necessary to reflect changes to the system for grading the quality of such agencies, as a result of which they will be assessed as either “effective” or “not effective”.