
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations impose duties upon all local education authorities in Wales in respect of all schools maintained by them including maintained nursery schools, but excluding pupil referral units. These Regulations also impose duties on the governing bodies of such schools.

Under these Regulations, local education authorities are required to enter into individual partnership agreements with the governing bodies of such schools. Where a local education authority and a governing body fail to reach an agreement, section 197(3) of the Education Act 2002 permits the local education authority to draw up a statement in relation to that school.

Any partnership agreement or statement must set out how the local education authority and the governing body of a school are to discharge their respective functions in relation to the school as regards certain specified matters set out in these Regulations.

These Regulations also provide for a partnership agreement or statement to be reviewed at set intervals or in prescribed circumstances.