STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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## The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

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### THE EDUCATION (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996

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1. In this Schedule, "assessment" means an assessment of a child's educational needs under Article 15.

— Medical and other advice

2. (1) Regulations shall make provision as to the advice which the Authority is to seek...

— Manner, and timing, of assessments, etc.

- 3. (1) Regulations may make provision— (a) as to the manner in which assessments are to...
  - Attendance at examinations
- 4. (1) Where the Authority is considering whether to make an assessment, it may serve a...

— Offence

5. (1) Any parent who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with any requirements of a...

# SCHEDULE 2 — MAKING AND MAINTENANCE OF STATEMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 16

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  In this Schedule— "amendment notice" has the meaning given in paragraph 3, "statement" means a...
  - Copy of proposed statement
- 2. (1) Before making a statement, the Authority shall serve on the parent of the child...

— Amendments to a statement

3. (1) A board shall not amend a statement except— (a) in compliance with an order...

— Provision of additional information

4. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies when the Authority serves on a parent— (a) a copy of...

— Preference as to school

- 5. (1) Every board shall make arrangements for enabling a parent— (a) on whom a copy...
  - Consultation on specifying name of school in statement
- 6. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies if the Authority is considering— (a) specifying the name of a...

- Representations

- 7. (1) A parent on whom a copy of a proposed statement has been served under...
  - Making the statement
- 8. (1) Where representations are made to the Authority under paragraph 7(1)(a), the Authority shall not...
  - Service of statement
- 9. (1) Where the Authority makes or amends a statement it shall serve a copy of...
  - Keeping, disclosure and transfer of statements
- 10. (1) Regulations may make provision as to the keeping and disclosure of statements. (2) ....
  - Change of named school
- 11. (1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where— (a) the parent of a child for whom a statement...
  - Procedure for ceasing to maintain a statement
- 12. (1) A board may not cease to maintain a statement except in accordance with paragraph...
- 13. (1) A board may cease to maintain a statement only if it is no longer...
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SCHEDULE 4 — INCORPORATION OF BOARDS OF GOVERNORS — Contracts of employment

- 1. Where Article 40 effects a transfer of rights and liabilities under a contract of employment—...
  - Dissolution of Board of Governors
- 2. (1) A Board of Governors incorporated under Article 40 is dissolved by virtue of this...
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- 3. (1) Where it appears to the Department that a Board of Governors is to be...
  - Division of property, rights and liabilities of Board of Governors of group of schools
- 4. (1) This paragraph applies where— (a) a Board of Governors ( "the existing Board of...
  - Data protection
- 5. (1) Where personal data are transferred under Article 40(3) to a Board of Governors incorporated...
  - Schedule5—Amendments
  - Schedule 6—Repeals

#### **Changes to legislation:**

The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 08 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. View outstanding changes

#### Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- art. 20 heading words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 10(2)
- art. 21A(1) and heading substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 12(2)
- art. 8A heading words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 3(2)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(3)(e) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(7)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(2) word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(5)
- Sch. 1 para. 3(1)(b) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(2)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(1) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(4)
- Sch. 1 para. 3(3)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(3)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(3)(d) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(6)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(3)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(e)(i)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(3)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(e)(i)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(2)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(e)(ii)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(2)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(e)(ii)
- Sch. 2 para. 3(2)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para.
   15(3)
- Sch. 2 para. 3(4)(a)(b) and preceding words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(4)
- Sch. 2 para. 4(1) word substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(5)
- Sch. 2 para. 7(1)(2) word substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(9)
- Sch. 2 para. 2(1) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(2)
- Sch. 2 para. 3(2) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(3)
- Sch. 2 para. 7(3) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(10)
- Sch. 2 para. 7(5) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(11)
- Sch. 2 para. 4(2) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(6)
- Sch. 2 para. 5(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(7)
- Sch. 2 para. 5(3) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(8)
- Sch. 2 para. 7(3) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(10)
- Sch. 2 para. 9(2) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(13)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(1)(b)(iii) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(15)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(3)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(16)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(3)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(17)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(4) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(18)
- Sch. 2 para. 11(5)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(19)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(2)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(21)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(3) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(22)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(5) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(23)
- Sch. 2 para. 13(6)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(24)
- art. 7(3)(a) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 1
- art. 7A(1)(a)(iii) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 2(2)
- art. 7A(1)(c)(iii) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 2(3)
- art. 7A(3)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 2(4)
- art. 8(1)(b) word omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(2)(a)
- art. 8(1)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(2)(a)
- art. 8(1)(c) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(2)(b)
- art. 8A words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 3(4)
- art. 8A(c) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 3(3)
- art. 14(3) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 5(2)
- art. 14(6)(a)(b) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 5(4)
- art. 15(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(2)
- art. 15(1)(d) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(3)

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art. 15(4) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(4)
      art. 15(6) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(5)
      art. 16(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 6
      art. 16(3)(b) words inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 7
      art. 17(2) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 7(3)
      art. 17(2)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(a)
      art. 17(2)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(a)
      art. 17(2A) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 7(4)
      art. 18(1) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(b)
      art. 18(1) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(b)
      art. 18(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 8(2)
      art. 18(1)(c) words inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 8(2)
      art. 18(2)(a) words inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 8(3)
      art. 18(4)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 8(4)
      art. 18(4)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 8(5)
      art. 18A(1)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(4)(a)
      art. 18A(1)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 9(2)
      art. 18A(4)(c) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 9(3)
      art. 18A(5) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(4)(c)
      art. 18A(5) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(4)(c)
      art. 19(2)(b) word omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 8(3)(b)(i)
      art. 20(1)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 10(3)
      art. 20(3)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 10(4)
      art. 20(3)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(c)
      art. 20(3)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(c)
      art. 20(3)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 10(5)
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      art. 20(3A) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 10(6)
      art. 20A(3) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(2)
      art. 20A(3)(d) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(3)
      art. 20A(7) words omitted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(4)
      art. 20A(8)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 13(2)(d)
      art. 20A(8)(b) applied by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 14(2)(d)
      art. 20A(8)(b) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(6)
      art. 20A(9) substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(7)
      art. 21A(3)(a) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 12(3)
      art. 21B(1) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 13(2)
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      art. 21B(7) word substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 13(5)
      art. 21B(7) words inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 10(3)
      art. 23(2A) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 12(2)
      art. 28 substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 17
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# Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 1 para. 3(1)(b)(i)(ii) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para.
   14(2)
- Sch. 1 para. 4(1)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 14(4)
- Sch. 2 para. 2(1)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(2)
- Sch. 2 para. 9(1)(a)(b) and preceding word substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(12)

-	Sch. 2 para. 13(2)(a)(i)(ii) and preceding word substituted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 15(20)
_	Sch. 2 para. 11(1)(a)(aa) substituted for Sch. 2 para. 11(1)(a) by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch.
	para. 15(14)
_	art. 5A inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 1
_	art. 6A inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 2
_	art. 8(1)(d)-(f) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(2)(c)
_	art. 8(1A)-(1C) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(3)
_	art. 8(2A) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(4)
_	art. 8ZA inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 3(5)
_	art. 10(3)(a)(b) substituted for words by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 4
_	art. 12A inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 4
_	art. 14(4A)(4B) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 5(3)
_	art. 15(4)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(4)
_	art. 15(6)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 5(5)
_	art. 17(1)(a)(b) and preceding word substituted for words by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch.
	para. 7(2)
_	art. 18A(4)(ba) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(4)(b)
_	art. 19(1A)-(1C) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 8(3)(a)
_	art. 19(2)(ba) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 8(3)(b)(ii)
_	art. 20A(7)(a)(b) and preceding word inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 11(4)
-	art. 20A(8)(a)(i)(ii) and preceding word substituted for words by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.)
	Sch. para. 11(5)
_	art. 21(5)-(10) added by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(2)
_	art. 21A(4)-(7) inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) Sch. para. 12(4)
_	art. 21B(3A)-(4) substituted for art. 21B(4) by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 10(2)
_	art. 21C inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 10(4)
_	art. 21ZA inserted by 2016 c. 8 (N.I.) s. 9(3)