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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2007 No. 694**

The Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education,  
Children's Services and Skills (Fees and Frequency of  
Inspections) (Children's Homes etc.) Regulations 2007

PART 4

Annual Fees

**Voluntary adoption agencies**

**14.**—(1) The registered provider in relation to a voluntary adoption agency shall pay an annual fee and the amount of the annual fee shall, subject to paragraph (2), be—

- (a) £690; and, where applicable,
  - (b) if the agency has, in addition to its principal office, a branch or, as the case may be, a small branch, an additional sum of—
    - (i) £690 in respect of each branch; and
    - (ii) £345 in respect of each small branch.
- (2) Where the agency has a small principal office, the amount of the annual fee shall be—
- (a) £345; and, where applicable,
  - (b) if the agency has, in addition to its small principal office, a branch or, as the case may be, a small branch, an additional sum of—
    - (i) £690 in respect of each branch; and
    - (ii) £345 in respect of each small branch.
- (3) The annual fee shall be payable—
- (a) in the case of a person who carries on an agency which was an adoption society approved under Part 1 of the Adoption Act 1976, on 30th April in each year;
  - (b) in the case of a new provider registered before 1st April 2007, on the anniversary of the date on which the certificate was issued; and
  - (c) otherwise on the date on which the certificate is issued, and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.

**Adoption support agencies**

**15.**—(1) The registered provider in respect of an adoption support agency shall pay an annual fee and the amount of the annual fee shall, subject to paragraph (2), be £690.

(2) Where the adoption support agency is a small adoption support agency the amount of the annual fee shall be £345.

- (3) The annual fee shall be payable—

- (a) if the certificate was issued before 1st April 2007, on the anniversary of the date on which the certificate was issued; and
- (b) otherwise on the date on which the certificate is issued, and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.

### **Fostering agencies**

**16.**—(1) The registered provider in respect of a fostering agency shall pay an annual fee and the amount of the annual fee shall be £1987.

(2) The annual fee shall be payable—

- (a) if the certificate was issued before 1st April 2003, on 1st April in each year;
- (b) if the certificate was issued on or after 1st April 2003 but before 1st April 2007, on the anniversary of the date on which the certificate was issued; and
- (c) otherwise on the date on which the certificate is issued, and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.

### **Children’s homes, residential family centres, boarding schools, residential colleges and residential special schools**

**17.**—(1) The registered provider in respect of a children’s home or residential family centre or a relevant person(1) in respect of a boarding school, residential college or residential special school, specified in column (1) of the Table below, shall pay an annual fee and the amount of the annual fee shall be—

- (a) the amount specified in column (2); or
- (b) where applicable, the sum of the amount specified in column (2) and the amounts specified in column (3), and (if applicable) column (4), multiplied by the number of approved places specified in respect of column (3) and (if applicable) column (4).

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Column (2)</i>	<i>Column (3)</i>	<i>Column (4)</i>
Establishment, school or college	Flat rate payable in all cases	Rate payable for each approved place from the 4th to the 29th place inclusive	Rate payable for the 30th and each subsequent approved place
(a) Children’s home	£994	£99	£99
(b) Residential family centre	£662	£83	£83
(c) Boarding school and residential college	£432	£26	£13
(d) Residential special school	£795	£79	£40

(2) The annual fee in respect of a children’s home shall be payable—

- (a) in the case of an existing provider, on the anniversary of the date on which the annual fee was payable under the 1984 Act or the 1989 Act;

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(1) A “relevant person” in respect of a boarding school, residential college or residential special school is defined in section 87(11) of the Children Act 1989 (c. 41).

- (b) in the case of an existing provider, where an annual fee was not previously payable under the 1989 Act, on 1st April in each year;
  - (c) in the case of a previously exempt provider, on 1st April in each year;
  - (d) in the case of a new provider if the certificate was issued before 1st April 2007, on the anniversary of the date of issue of the certificate;
  - (e) otherwise on the date on which the certificate is issued and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.
- (3) The annual fee in respect of a residential family centre shall be payable—
- (a) in the case of an existing provider, on the anniversary of the date on which the annual fee was payable under the 1984 Act or the 1989 Act;
  - (b) in the case of a previously exempt provider, on 1st April in each year;
  - (c) in the case of a new provider if the certificate was issued before 1st April 2007, on the anniversary of the date of issue of the certificate;
  - (d) otherwise on the date on which the certificate is issued and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.
- (4) The annual fee in respect of a boarding school, residential college or residential special school shall be payable—
- (a) in the case of a school or college which was providing accommodation for any child on 1st January 2002 on 1st September in each year;
  - (b) in the case of a school or college established after 1st January 2002 and before 1st April 2007 on the anniversary of the date on which the school or college was established;
  - (c) otherwise on the date of the establishment of the school or college, and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.

### **Local authority adoption and fostering functions**

**18.** A local authority shall pay to the Chief Inspector an annual fee, in respect of the discharge by the authority of—

- (a) relevant adoption functions referred to in section 43(3)(a) of the 2000 Act, of £1987; and
- (b) relevant fostering functions referred to in section 43(3)(b) of the 2000 Act, of £1987,

and the amount of the annual fee shall be payable in each case on 1st April 2007 and thereafter on the anniversary of that date.