
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 1333

**The Fostering Panels (Establishment and
Functions) (Wales) Regulations 2018**

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“the 2014 Act” (“*Deddf 2014*”) means the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014;

“the 2016 Act” (“*Deddf 2016*”) means the Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016(1);

“the 2003 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 2003*”) means the Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2003(2);

“the 2015 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 2015*”) means the Care Planning, Placement and Case Review (Wales) Regulations 2015(3);

“central list” (“*rhestr ganolog*”) means a list established in accordance with regulation 3;

“employee” (“*cyflogai*”) has the same meaning as in section 230(1) of the Employment Rights Act 1996(4);

“foster care agreement” (“*cytundeb gofal maeth*”) means the written agreement covering the matters specified in Schedule 3 which is entered into between the fostering services provider and the foster parent;

“foster parent” (“*rhiant maeth*”) means a person who has been approved as a foster parent in accordance with these Regulations;

“fostering panel” (“*panel maethu*”) means a panel established in accordance with regulation 4;

“fostering services provider” (“*darparwr gwasanaethau maethu*”) means—

- (a) a local authority fostering services provider;
- (b) a regulated fostering services provider;

“fostering services provider in England” (“*darparwr gwasanaethau maethu yn Lloegr*”) means—

- (a) a fostering agency within the meaning of section 4(4)(a) of the Care Standards Act 2000(5), or
- (b) a local authority discharging “relevant fostering functions” within the meaning of section 43(3)(b)(i) of that Act(6);

(1) 2016 anaw 2.

(2) S.I. 2003/237 (W. 35).

(3) S.I. 2015/1818 (W. 261).

(4) 1996 c. 18.

(5) 2000 c. 14.

(6) Section 43(3)(b)(i) of the Care Standards Act 2000 defines “relevant fostering functions” in relation to a local authority as functions under section 22C of the Children Act 1989 (c. 41) in connection with placements with local authority foster parents or regulations made under paragraph 12E(a), (b), (d) or (e) or 12F of Schedule 2 to that Act.

“local authority fostering service” (“*gwasanaeth maethu awdurdod lleol*”) means any service provided in Wales by a local authority which consists of or includes the placement of children with foster parents or exercising functions in connection with such a placement, and “service” (“*gwasanaeth*”) is to be construed accordingly;

“local authority fostering services provider” (“*darparwr gwasanaethau maethu awdurdod lleol*”) means the local authority providing the local authority fostering services;

“parent” (“*rhiant*”), in relation to a child, includes any person who has parental responsibility for the child;

“placement” (“*lleoliad*”) means the placement of a child with a foster parent under section 81(5), (6)(a) and (b) of the 2014 Act;

“regulated fostering service” (“*gwasanaeth maethu rheoleiddiedig*”) means any service provided in Wales by a person registered under section 7 of the 2016 Act to provide a fostering service;

“regulated fostering services provider” (“*darparwr gwasanaethau maethu rheoleiddiedig*”) means a person registered under section 7 of the 2016 Act to provide a fostering service;

“social worker” (“*gweithiwr cymdeithasol*”) means a person who is registered as a social worker in the register maintained by Social Care Wales⁽⁷⁾ under section 80 of the 2016 Act, in Part 16 of the register maintained by the Health and Care Professions Council under article 5 of the Health and Social Work Professions Order 2001⁽⁸⁾ or in a corresponding register maintained under the law of Scotland or Northern Ireland.

(7) See section 67(3) of the 2016 Act for the definition of Social Care Wales.

(8) [S.I. 2002/254](#).