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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 143 (W. 26)**

**EDUCATION, WALES**

**The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous  
Amendments) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>11 February 2020</i>
<i>Laid before the National Assembly for Wales</i>	- -	<i>13 February 2020</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>2020</i>

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 22(2) (b) and (c) and 42(6) of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998<sup>(1)</sup> and now exercisable by them<sup>(2)</sup>, make the following Regulations:

**PART 1**

**TITLE, COMMENCEMENT AND APPLICATION**

**Title, commencement and application**

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020.

(2) These Regulations come into force on ... 2020 and apply to the provision of support to students in relation to an academic year which begins on or after 1 August 2020, whether anything done under these Regulations is done before, on or after that date.

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- (1) [1998 c. 30](#); section 22 was amended by the Learning and Skills Act [2000 \(c. 21\)](#), section 146 and Schedule 11; the Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act [2003 \(c. 1\)](#), Schedule 6; the Finance Act [2003 \(c. 14\)](#), section 147; the Higher Education Act [2004 \(c. 8\)](#), sections 42 and 43 and Schedule 7; the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act [2009 \(c. 22\)](#), section 257; the Education Act [2011 \(c. 21\)](#), section 76; [S.I. 2013/1181](#) and the Higher Education and Research Act [2017 \(c. 29\)](#), section 88. See section 43(1) of the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998 for the definition of “prescribed” and “regulations”.
- (2) The Secretary of State’s functions in section 22(2)(a) to (i) and (k) of the 1998 Act were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales so far as they relate to making provision in relation to Wales by section 44 of the Higher Education Act [2004 \(c. 8\)](#), with subsections (a), (c) and (k) exercisable concurrently with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State’s function in section 42 was transferred, in so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, to the National Assembly for Wales by [S.I. 1999/672](#). All the above functions of the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006.

## PART 2

### AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2017

#### Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017

2. The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017<sup>(3)</sup> are amended in accordance with regulations 4 to 18.

#### Amendments to regulation 16

3. In regulation 16 (new fee grant)—
- (1) in paragraph (3)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£4,665” substitute “£4,530”;
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£4,335” substitute “£4,470”;
  - (2) in paragraph (4)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£2,410” substitute “£2,340”;
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£2,090” substitute “£2,160”.

#### Amendments to regulation 19

4. In regulation 19 (new fee loan in respect of courses beginning on or after 1 September 2012)—
- (a) in paragraph (3)(a), for “£4,335” substitute “£4,470”;
  - (b) in paragraph (4)(a), for “£2,090” substitute “£2,160”.

#### Amendments to regulation 22

5. In regulation 22 (accelerated graduate entry fee loan)—
- (a) in paragraph (4)(a), for “£5,535” substitute “£5,785”;
  - (b) in paragraph (5)(b), for “£5,535” substitute “£5,785”.

#### Amendments to regulation 24

6. In regulation 24 (grants for disabled students’ living costs), in paragraph (3)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£22,472” substitute “£23,258”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£5,657” substitute “£5,849”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (d), for “£1,894” substitute “£1,954”.

#### Amendment to regulation 26

7. In regulation 26 (grants for dependants – adult dependants’ grant)—
- (a) in paragraph (3)(a), for “£2,732” substitute “£3,094”;
  - (b) In paragraph (3)(b), for “£2,732” substitute “£3,094”.

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(3) S.I. 2017/47 (W. 21) as amended by S.I. 2018/191 (W. 42), S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/235 (W. 54) and S.I. 2019/424 (W. 98) (as from exit day, as defined by European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, section 20(1)–(5)).

### **Amendment to regulation 27**

**8.** In regulation 27 (grants for dependants – childcare grant)—

(1) in paragraph (7)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£161.50” substitute “£174.22”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£274.55” substitute “£298.69”;

(2) in paragraph (9)(a), for “£115” substitute “£134.70”.

### **Amendment to regulation 28**

**9.** In regulation 28 (grants for dependants – parents’ learning allowance), in paragraph (2) for “£1,557” substitute “£1,766”.

### **Amendments to regulation 43**

**10.** In regulation 43 (maximum amount of loans for eligible students with full entitlement who are 2010 cohort students, 2012 cohort students or 2012 accelerated graduate entry students undertaking their first year of study)—

(1) in paragraph (2)—

(a) in sub-paragraph (i), for “£5,684” substitute “£5,848”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (ii), for “£10,288” substitute “£10,584”;

(c) in sub-paragraph (iii), for “£8,756” substitute “£9,008”;

(d) in sub-paragraph (iv), for “£8,756” substitute “£9,008”;

(e) in sub-paragraph (v), for “£7,344” substitute “£7,555”;

(2) in paragraph (3) —

(a) in sub-paragraph (i), for “£5,147” substitute “£5,295”;

(b) in sub-paragraph (ii), for “£9,368” substitute “£9,638”;

(c) in sub-paragraph (iii), for “£7,616” substitute “£7,835”;

(d) in sub-paragraph (iv), for “£7,616” substitute “£7,835”;

(e) in sub-paragraph (v), for “£6,803” substitute “£6,999”.

### **Amendments to regulation 45**

**11.** In regulation 45 (students with reduced entitlement)—

(1) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (a)—

(a) in paragraph (i), for “£2,699” substitute “£2,777”;

(b) in paragraph (ii), for “£5,058” substitute “£5,204”;

(c) in paragraph (iii), for “£3,598” substitute “£4,428”;

(d) in paragraph (iv), for “£3,598” substitute “£4,428”;

(e) in paragraph (v), for “£3,598” substitute “£3,702”;

(2) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (b)—

(a) in paragraph (i), for “£2,699” substitute “£2,777”;

(b) in paragraph (ii), for “£5,058” substitute “£5,204”;

(c) in paragraph (iii), for “£4,304” substitute “£4,428”;

(d) in paragraph (iv), for “£4,304” substitute “£4,428”;

- (e) in paragraph (v), for “£3,598” substitute “£3,702”;
- (3) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (c)—
  - (a) in paragraph (i), for “£4,263” substitute “£4,386”;
  - (b) in paragraph (ii), for “£7,716” substitute “£7,938”;
  - (c) in paragraph (iii), for “£6,567” substitute “£6,756”;
  - (d) in paragraph (iv), for “£6,567” substitute “£6,756”;
  - (e) in paragraph (v), for “£5,508” substitute “£5,666”;
- (4) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (a)—
  - (a) in paragraph (i), for “£2,052” substitute “£2,111”;
  - (b) in paragraph (ii), for “£3,869” substitute “£3,980”;
  - (c) in paragraph (iii), for “£2,804” substitute “£2,885”;
  - (d) in paragraph (iv), for “£2,804” substitute “£2,885”;
  - (e) in paragraph (v), for “£2,804” substitute “£2,885”;
- (5) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (b)—
  - (a) in paragraph (i), for “£2,052” substitute “£2,111”;
  - (b) in paragraph (ii), for “£3,869” substitute “£3,980”;
  - (c) in paragraph (iii), for “£3,146” substitute “£3,237”;
  - (d) in paragraph (iv), for “£3,146” substitute “£3,237”;
  - (e) in paragraph (v), for “£2,804” substitute “£2,885”;
- (6) in paragraph (2), sub-paragraph (c)—
  - (a) in paragraph (i), for “£3,860” substitute “£3,971”;
  - (b) in paragraph (ii), for “£7,026” substitute “£7,228”;
  - (c) in paragraph (iii), for “£5,712” substitute “£5,876”;
  - (d) in paragraph (iv), for “£5,712” substitute “£5,876”;
  - (e) in paragraph (v), for “£5,102” substitute “£5,249”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 50**

- 12.** In regulation 50 (increases in maximum amount), paragraph (1)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£84” substitute “£86”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£162” substitute “£167”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (c), for “£177” substitute “£182”;
  - (d) in sub-paragraph (d), for “£177” substitute “£182”;
  - (e) in sub-paragraph (e), for “£127” substitute “£131”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 88**

- 13.** In regulation 88 (grants for disabled part-time student’s living costs), paragraph (3)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£16,853” substitute “£17,443”;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£5,657” substitute “£5,849”;
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (d), for “£1,420” substitute “£1,465”.

#### **Amendment to regulation 91**

14. In regulation 91 (part-time adult dependants' grant)—
- (a) in paragraph (3)(a), for “£2,732” substitute “£3,094”;
  - (b) in paragraph (3)(b), for “£2,732” substitute “£3,094”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 92**

15. In regulation 92 (part-time childcare grant)—
- (1) in paragraph 6—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), for “£161.50” substitute “£174.22”;
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), for “£274.55” substitute “£298.69”;
  - (2) in paragraph (8)(a), for “£115” substitute “£134.70”.

#### **Amendment to regulation 93**

16. In regulation 93 (part-time parents' learning allowance), in paragraph (2) for “£1,557” substitute “£1,766”.

#### **Amendment to regulation 117**

17. In regulation 117 (amount of grant), in paragraph (2) for “£20,000” substitute “£20,580”.

## **PART 3**

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018**

#### **Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018**

18. The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018<sup>(4)</sup> are amended in accordance with regulations 20 to 30.

#### **Amendment to regulation 40**

19. In regulation 40 (amount of tuition fee loan), in Table 2, category of student 4, column 4 for—
- (a) “Wales, England and Scotland” substitute “Wales and England”;
  - (b) “Northern Ireland” in the last place that it occurs substitute “Scotland and Northern Ireland”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 55**

20. In regulation 55 (amount of maintenance loan: full-time students), Table 7—
- (1) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
  - (2) in column 4, for—
    - (a) “£6,840” substitute “£7,335”;

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(4) S.I.2018/191 (W. 42) as amended by S.I. 2018/813 (W. 164), S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/235 (W. 54) and S.I. 2019/424 (W. 98) (as from exit day, as defined by European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, section 20(1)–(5)).

- (b) “£10,530” substitute “£11,260”;
- (c) “£8,225” substitute “£8,810”;
- (d) “£3,420” substitute “£3,665”;
- (e) “£5,265” substitute “£5,630”;
- (f) “£4,110” substitute “£4,405”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 56**

**21.** In regulation 56 (amount of maintenance loan: full-time students who qualify for special support payment)—

- (1) in Table 8—
  - (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 2020”;
  - (b) in column 3, for—
    - (i) “£7,840” substitute “£8,335”;
    - (ii) “£11,530” substitute “£12,260”;
    - (iii) “£9,225” substitute “£9,810”;
- (2) in Table 8A—
  - (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 2020”;
  - (b) in column 3, for —
    - (i) “£3,420” substitute “£3,665”;
    - (ii) “£5,265” substitute “£5,630”;
    - (iii) “£4,110” substitute “£4,405”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 57**

**22.** In regulation 57 (increased maintenance loan for full-time students in extended years), in Table 9—

- (1) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
- (2) in column 3, for—
  - (a) “£84” substitute “£86”;
  - (b) “£162” substitute “£167”;
  - (c) “£127” substitute “£131”.

#### **Amendment to regulation 58**

**23.** In regulation 58 (amount of maintenance loan: part-time students), in Table 10—

- (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
- (b) in column 2, for “£5,815” substitute “£6,245”.

#### **Amendment to regulation 58A**

**24.** In regulation 58A (amount of maintenance loan: part-time students who qualify for special support payment), in Table 10A—

- (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 2020”;
- (b) in column 2, for “£6,815” substitute “£7,245”.

### **Amendments to regulation 63**

**25.** In regulation 63 (amount of disabled student’s grant), paragraph (2) for—

- (a) “£22,472” substitute “£23,258”;
- (b) “£16,853” substitute “£17,443”;
- (c) “£5,657” substitute “£5,849”;
- (d) “£1,894” substitute “£1,954”;
- (e) “£1,420” substitute “£1,465”.

### **Amendment to regulation 72**

**26.** In regulation 72 (maximum amount of adults dependant grant), in Table 11—

- (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
- (b) in column 2, for “£2,732” substitute “£3,094”.

### **Amendment to regulation 74**

**27.** In regulation 74 (maximum amount of parents’ learning grant), in Table 12—

- (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
- (b) in column 2, for “£1,557” substitute “£1,766”.

### **Amendments to regulation 76**

**28.** In regulation 76 (maximum amount of childcare grant)—

- (1) in Table 13—
  - (a) in column 1, for “Beginning on or after 1 September 2018” substitute “Beginning on or after 1 September 2020”;
  - (b) in column 3—
    - (i) for “£161.50” substitute “£174.22”;
    - (ii) for “£274.55” substitute “£298.69”;
- (2) in paragraph (4)(a), for “£115” substitute “£134.70”.

### **Amendment to Schedule 4**

**29.** In Schedule 4, in paragraph 20(1)(a) for “£20,000” substitute “£20,580”.

## PART 4

### AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (POSTGRADUATE DOCTORAL DEGREE LOANS) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2018

#### **Amendments to the Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018**

**30.** The Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018<sup>(5)</sup> are amended in accordance with regulation 32.

#### **Amendments to regulation 13**

**31.** In regulation 13 (amount of postgraduate doctoral degree loan)—

- (a) in paragraph (1), for “£25,700” substitute “£26,445”;
- (b) in paragraph (2), for “£25,700” substitute “£26,445”.

## PART 5

### AMENDMENTS TO THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (POSTGRADUATE MASTER’S DEGREES) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2019

#### **Amendments to the Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Master’s Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019**

**32.** The Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Master’s Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019<sup>(6)</sup> are amended in accordance with regulations 34 to 35.

#### **Amendments to regulation 31**

**33.** In regulation 31 (amount of contribution to costs loan), for “£16,000” in both places it appears substitute “£16,489”.

#### **Amendments to regulation 36**

**34.** In regulation 36 (effect of becoming, or ceasing to be, an eligible prisoner)—

- (a) in paragraph (8), for “£16,000” substitute “£16,489”;
- (b) in paragraph (10), for “£16,000” substitute “£16,489”.

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(5) S.I. 2018/656 (W. 124) as amended by S.I. 2017/712 (W. 169), S.I. 2018/277 (W. 53), S.I. 2018/814 (W. 165), S.I. 2019/424 (W. 98) (as from exit day, as defined by European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, section 20(1)–(5)), S.I. 2019/895 (W. 161).

(6) S.I. 2019/895 (W. 161).



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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend—

- (a) The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2017 (“the 2017 Regulations”);
- (b) The Education (Student Support) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (“the 2018 Regulations”);
- (c) The Education (Postgraduate Doctoral Degree Loans) (Wales) Regulations 2018 (“the Doctoral Degree Loan Regulations”);
- (d) The Education (Student Support) (Postgraduate Master’s Degrees) (Wales) Regulations 2019 (“the Master’s Degree Regulations”).

The 2017 Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students taking designated higher education courses which begin before 1 September 2018. Part 2 of these Regulations amends the 2017 Regulations.

The 2018 Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students taking designated higher education courses which begin on or after 1 September 2018. Part 3 of these Regulations amends the 2018 Regulations.

The Doctoral Degree Loan Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students undertaking designated postgraduate doctoral degree courses. Part 4 of these Regulations amends the Doctoral Degree Loan Regulations.

The Master’s Degree Regulations provide for financial support for eligible students undertaking designated master’s degree courses. Part 5 of these Regulations amends the Master’s Degree Regulations.

Regulations 4 to 34 update figures in the regulations being amended:

- regulations 4 to 18 amend the 2017 Regulations;
- regulations 19 to 30 amend the 2018 Regulations;
- regulations 31 to 32 amend the Doctoral Degree Loan Regulations; and
- regulations 33 to 35 amend the Master’s Degree Regulations.

The Welsh Ministers’ Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Higher Education Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.