
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 274

The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

PART II

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

[^{F1}General duties of boards]

[^{F1}Advice and information for parents

21A.—(1) A board shall arrange for the parent of any child ^{F2}... with special educational needs to be provided with advice and information about matters relating to those needs.

(2) In making the arrangements, [^{F3}the Authority] shall have regard to any guidance given by the Department.

(3) The board shall take such steps as it considers appropriate for making the services provided under paragraph (1) known to—

- (a) the parents of children ^{F2}...;
- (b) the principals and Boards of Governors of grant#aided schools ^{F2}...;
- (c) the principals and proprietors of independent schools ^{F2}...; and
- (d) such other persons as it considers appropriate.]

F1 2005 NI 6

F2 Words in art. 21A repealed (1.4.2015) by [Education Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), **Sch. 4** (with [Sch. 2 para. 4\(3\)](#)); S.R. 2015/35, art. 2(b)

F3 Words in Order substituted (1.4.2015) by [Education Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 1(1)(a)** (with [Sch. 2 para. 4\(3\)](#), [Sch. 3 para. 1\(2\)](#)); S.R. 2015/35, art. 2(b)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Arts. 6-21B: power to disapply or modify conferred (temp.) (25.3.2020) by [Coronavirus Act 2020 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 87(1), **Sch. 17 para. 17** (with ss. 88-90)

C2 Arts. 6-21B expiry of earlier affecting provision 2020 c. 7, Sch. 16 para. 17 (25.3.2022) by [Coronavirus Act 2020 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 89 (with s. 90)

Changes to legislation:

The Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, Section 21A is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 30 June 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.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [art. 21A\(3\)\(a\) words substituted by 2016 c. 8 \(N.I.\) Sch. para. 12\(3\)](#)

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\(3\)](#)