

## 1994 No. 258

## EDUCATION

**Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets)  
(Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994**

*Made* . . . . . 1st July 1994

*Coming into operation* . . . . . 1st August 1994

The Department of Education, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 7(1)(a), (2)(b) and (5) of the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

*Citation and commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1994 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1994.

*Amendment to the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in English) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990*

2. For Article 7 of the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in English) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990(b) there shall be substituted the following Article:

“7. The attainment targets 1 to 3 described in the Document are specified for each key stage, and in relation to the third and fourth key stages, the levels of attainment are specified as follows, being those appropriate to the different abilities and maturities of the pupils being taught—

- (a) for the third key stage, levels 3 to 8; and
- (b) for the fourth key stage, levels 4 to 10.”

*Amendment to the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Irish in Irish Speaking Schools) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990*

3. For Article 6 of the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Irish in Irish Speaking Schools) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990(c) there shall be substituted the following Article:

“6. The attainment targets 1 to 4 described in the Document are specified in relation to the first and second key stages.”

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(a) S.I. 1989/2406 (N.I. 20)

(b) S.R. 1990 No. 289

(c) S.R. 1990 No. 292

*Amendment to the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Mathematics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992*

4. For Article 10 of the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Mathematics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992(a) there shall be substituted the following Article:

“The attainment targets P, N, A, M, S and D described in the 1992 Document are specified for each key stage, and in relation to the third and fourth key stages, the levels of attainment are specified as follows, being those appropriate to the different abilities and maturities of the pupils being taught—

- (a) for the third key stage, levels 3 to 8; and
- (b) for the fourth key stage, levels 4 to 10.”

*Amendment to the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Science) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993*

5. For Article 8 of the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Science) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993(b) there shall be substituted the following Article:

“8. The attainment targets described in Document A are specified for key stages 1, 2 and 3, and the levels of attainment are specified in relation to the third key stage at levels 3 to 7, being those applicable to the different abilities and maturities of the pupils being taught.”

*Amendments to the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Home Economics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992*

6. The Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Home Economics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992(c) shall be amended as provided, in paragraphs (a) to (c)—

- (a) In Article 2(b), the words “and the first year of the fourth key stage” shall cease to have effect;
- (b) In Article 2(c), the words “and the second year of the fourth key stage” shall cease to have effect;
- (c) For Articles 5 and 6 there shall be substituted the following Articles:

“5. The programmes of study described in the Document (which relate to the attainment targets referred to in Article 6) are specified in relation to the third key stage as set out in the Document.

6. The attainment targets 1 to 4 described in the Document are specified in relation to the third key stage.”

(a) S.R. 1992 No. 233

(b) S.R. 1993 No. 273

(c) S.R. 1992 No. 180

*Revocations*

7. The following Orders are hereby revoked:

- (a) the Curriculum (Programme of Study and Attainment Targets in Drama) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993(a);
- (b) the Curriculum (Programme of Study and Attainment Targets in Business Studies) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993(b).

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Education on 1st July 1994.

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Assistant Secretary

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(a) S.R. 1993 No. 252

(b) S.R. 1993 No. 253

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order, made under Article 7(1) and (2)(b) of the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, amends the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in English) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990, the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Irish in Irish Speaking Schools) Order (Northern Ireland) 1990, the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Mathematics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992 and the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Science) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993.

The amendments remove from these Orders the specification of levels of attainment at key stages 1 and 2. The levels of attainment at key stages 3 and 4 are unchanged.

This Order also amends the Curriculum (Programmes of Study and Attainment Targets in Home Economics) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992, which specifies programmes of study and attainment targets in relation to home economics, so that it no longer applies to pupils at key stage 4. It also revokes the Curriculum (Programme of Study and Attainment Targets in Drama) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993 and the Curriculum (Programme of Study and Attainment Targets in Business Studies) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993, which specify programmes of study and attainment targets relating to drama and business studies respectively.

As a result, the programmes of study and attainment targets for these subjects will not become compulsory for pupils at key stage 4 on 1st August 1994.

This Order comes into operation on 1st August 1994.