## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations make provision in relation to the establishment of and regulate the procedure of the Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal established by Article 21 of the Special Educational Needs and Disability (Northern Ireland) Order 2005.

The Regulations make provision for and regulate the procedures for both appeals under Part II to and Schedule 2 of the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996, and claims in respect of disability discrimination in schools under Article 21 and 22. They revoke the Special Educational Needs Tribunal Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997, subject to a saving provision for existing appeals.

The procedures are set out in Parts II to VI of the Regulations and broadly follow, with modification, the procedures for special educational needs appeals under Part II to and Schedule 2 of the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1996.