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**The Education (Student Support)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006**

PART 4

FEE SUPPORT

CHAPTER 1

TYPES OF FEE SUPPORT AVAILABLE

New system students

11.—(1) A new system student qualifies for a fee loan in respect of the fees payable by him in connection with his attendance on a designated course in accordance with Chapter 2 of this Part.

(2) To receive a fee loan, a new system student must enter into a contract with the Department.

Old system students

12.—(1) An old system student qualifies for a grant for fees in respect of the fees payable by him in connection with his attendance on a designated course in accordance with Chapter 3 of this Part.

(2) An old system student qualifies for a fee contribution loan in respect of the fees payable by him in connection with his attendance on a designated course in accordance with Chapter 4 of this Part.

(3) To receive a fee contribution loan, an old system student must enter into a contract with the Department.

Students becoming eligible in the course of an academic year

13. Where one of the events listed in regulation 14 occurs in the course of an academic year—

(a) a student may qualify for fee support in accordance with this Part in respect of that academic year provided that the relevant event occurred within the first three months of the academic year; and

(b) fee support is not available in respect of any academic year beginning before the academic year in which the relevant event occurred.

Events

14. The events are—

(a) the student's course becomes a designated course;

(b) the student, his spouse, his civil partner or his parent is recognised as a refugee or becomes a person with leave to enter or remain (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 1);

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- (c) a state accedes to the European Community where the student is a national of that state or a family member (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 1) of a national of that state;
- (d) the student becomes a family member (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 1) of an EC national;
- (e) the student acquires the right of permanent residence (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 1);
- (f) the student becomes a person described in paragraph 6(1)(a) of Schedule 1; or
- (g) the student becomes the child of a Swiss national.

Disabled students

15. A disabled student who is undertaking a designated course in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland but who is not in attendance because he is unable to attend for a reason which relates to his disability is treated as if he were in attendance on the designated course for the purpose of qualifying for fee support.