



Child Poverty Act 2010

2010 CHAPTER 9

PART 1

[^{F1}STRATEGIES: NORTHERN IRELAND]

Strategies: duties of^{F1} ... relevant Northern Ireland department

12 Northern Ireland strategies

- (1) The relevant Northern Ireland department must, before the end of the period of 12 months beginning with the day on which this Act is passed, publish and lay before the Northern Ireland Assembly the first Northern Ireland strategy.
- (2) A “Northern Ireland strategy” is a strategy under this section setting out the measures that the Northern Ireland departments propose to take—
 - ^{F1}(a)
 - (b) for the purpose of ensuring as far as possible that children in Northern Ireland do not experience socio-economic disadvantage.
- (3) Before the end of the period to which a Northern Ireland strategy relates, the relevant Northern Ireland department must review the strategy and publish and lay before the Northern Ireland Assembly a revised Northern Ireland strategy, but this subsection does not apply [^{F2}after 31 March 2020].
- (4) A Northern Ireland strategy must—
 - (a) where it relates to a period ending [^{F3}before 1 April 2021]—
 - ^{F4}(i)
 - (ii) describe the ^{F5}... progress that the Northern Ireland departments intend to make by the end of the period to which the strategy relates in achieving the purpose mentioned in subsection (2)(b), and
 - (b) describe the progress that the Northern Ireland departments intend to make [^{F6}by 31 March 2021] in achieving the purpose mentioned in subsection (2)(b), ^{F7}....

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- (5) A Northern Ireland strategy other than the first must also—
- (a) describe the measures taken by the Northern Ireland departments in accordance with the previous Northern Ireland strategy,
 - ^{F8}(b)
 - (c) describe [^{F9}the] effects of those measures that contribute to the achievement of the purpose mentioned in subsection (2)(b).
- (6) A Northern Ireland strategy may not include proposals that relate to excepted or reserved matters, within the meaning of the Northern Ireland Act 1998.
- (7) The relevant Northern Ireland department must, on or before each report date relating to a Northern Ireland strategy, lay before the Northern Ireland Assembly a report which—
- (a) describes the measures taken by the Northern Ireland departments in accordance with the Northern Ireland strategy,
 - ^{F10}(b)
 - (c) describes [^{F11}the] effects of those measures that contribute to the achievement of the purpose mentioned in subsection (2)(b).
- (8) The report dates relating to a Northern Ireland strategy are each anniversary of the day on which it was laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly, other than an anniversary which falls—
- (a) on or after the date on which a subsequent Northern Ireland strategy is so laid, or
 - (b) [^{F12}after 31 March 2021].
- (9) References in this section to the period to which a Northern Ireland strategy relates are references to the period beginning with the date on which the Northern Ireland strategy is laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly and—
- (a) except in the case of a Northern Ireland strategy laid before the Assembly less than 3 years [^{F13}before 1 April 2020], ending 3 years later, and
 - (b) in that excepted case, [^{F14}ending with 31 March 2021].

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 12(2)(a) repealed (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(a\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 12(3) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(b\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 12(4)(a) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(c\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F4** S. 12(4)(a)(i) omitted (16.5.2016) by virtue of [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(d\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F5** Word in s. 12(4)(a)(ii) omitted (16.5.2016) by virtue of [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(e\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F6** Words in s. 12(4)(b) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(f\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F7** Words in s. 12(4)(b) omitted (16.5.2016) by virtue of [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(g\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F8** S. 12(5)(b) omitted (16.5.2016) by virtue of [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(h\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F9** Word in s. 12(5)(c) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(i\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)

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- F10** S. 12(7)(b) omitted (16.5.2016) by virtue of [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(j\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F11** Word in s. 12(7)(c) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(k\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F12** Words in s. 12(8)(b) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(l\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F13** Words in s. 12(9)(a) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(m\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- F14** Words in s. 12(9)(b) substituted (16.5.2016) by [Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 \(c. 7\), ss. 7\(3\)\(n\), 36\(2\)\(d\)](#)

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