

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO
THE DAY CARE AND CHILD MINDING (FUNCTIONS OF LOCAL
AUTHORITIES: INFORMATION, ADVICE AND TRAINING) (ENGLAND)
(AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 2005

2005 No. 2302

1. This explanatory memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Education and Skills and is laid before Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.
2. **Description**
 - 2.1 These regulations amend the ISBN numbers for the publications referred to in the Day Care and Child Minding (Functions of Local Authorities: Information, Advice and Training) (England) Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/2746) (“the 2001 Regulations”) to bring them up to date with the current published documents.
3. **Matters of special interest to the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments**
 - 3.1 None.
4. **Legislative Background**
 - 4.1 Section 79 of the Children Act 1989 (“the 1989 Act”) provides that each local authority shall, in accordance with regulations, secure the provision of information and advice about child minding and day care; and of the training of such persons. The 2001 regulations provide, *inter alia*, that each local authority shall secure the provision of information and advice concerning the application and extent of the national standards and supporting criteria and that the training provided by each local authority shall take account of the requirements of the national standards and contents of the supporting criteria. The national standards are set out in documents listed in the schedule to the 2001 Regulations. It is the reference to the documents that is being updated by these regulations.
5. **Extent**
 - 5.1 This instrument applies to England.
6. **European Convention on Human Rights**
 - 6.1 No statement is required.
7. **Policy background**

7.1 Not applicable.

8. Impact

8.1 A Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as it has no additional impact on costs for providers as production and distribution costs for the standards have been met within DfES and Ofsted budgets.

9. Contact

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