
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Education (Specified Work and Registration) (England) Regulations 2003 with effect from 1st September 2007, except for regulation 6(8), which comes into force on 1st September 2008.

The principal amendments—

- (a) make provision for any deadline imposed in Schedule 2 to be extended to take account of any period where the teacher has been absent from work in exercise of a statutory right to take leave or because of pregnancy (*regulation 4*);
- (b) replace the five year grace period for teacher trainees who have not passed the skills tests with a deadline of 31st August 2008, beyond which they will not be allowed to carry out specified work without approval in a particular case by the Secretary of State (*regulation 6(7)*);
- (c) with effect from 1st September 2008, remove the provision which previously allowed overseas trained teachers to carry out specified work beyond the four year period specified in paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 by joining an employment-based teacher training scheme (*regulation 6(8)*); and
- (d) delete a number of provisions which are now redundant (*regulation 7*).