

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order is made under the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22). Part 7 of the 2009 Act establishes the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual) and sets out its functions. Part 8 of the 2009 Act makes provision for the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (established under section 21 of the Education Act 1997 (c. 44)) to continue in existence as the Qualifications and Curriculum Development Agency, with various changes to its role notably in relation to its regulatory functions passing to Ofqual.

This Order makes amendments to secondary legislation, the majority of which are in consequence of the implementation of Parts 7 and 8 of the 2009 Act on 1 April 2010. Several amendments are also made which are in consequence of the amendments made to section 96 of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 (c. 21) by Schedule 12 to the 2009 Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.