
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Early Years Foundation Stage (Learning and Development Requirements) Order 2007 (“the 2007 Order”) which specifies the learning and development requirements that early years providers must secure in providing early years provision. The 2007 Order also gives legal effect to the learning and development requirements in the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (“the Document”).

Article 3 of this Order replaces the reference to the previous version of the Document with a reference to the new version of the Document. The new Document can be found on the website of the Department for Education at <https://www.education.gov.uk/publications/standard/AllPublications/Page1/DFE-00023-2012>

The new version of the Document deals with assessment arrangements in a separate section to that dealing with other learning and development requirements. Articles 4 and 5 of this Order ensure that the correct sections of the new Document are referred to.

Article 5 replaces the reference to the Qualifications and Curriculum Development Agency (“QCDA”) with a reference to the Secretary of State, following the abolition of the QCDA in the Education Act 2011. From the 1st April 2012 the functions of the QCDA in relation to assessment arrangements will be performed by the Standards and Testing Agency, an executive agency of the Department for Education.

An impact assessment has been prepared for this Order and can be found at <http://www.ialibrary.bis.gov.uk/>