
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 2147

**The Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years
Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2014**

Availability of early years provision

4.—(1) For the purposes of section 7(1) of the 2006 Act, an English local authority must secure that the prescribed early years provision is available for each young child for a period of 570 hours in any year and during no fewer than 38 weeks in any year.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) and subject to paragraph (3), the first year commences on the date in regulation 3(4) applicable to the child in question, and subsequent years commence on the anniversary of that date.

(3) Where a young child becomes an eligible child on a date after the date in regulation 3(4) applicable to the child in question, the first year commences on the date in regulation 3(4) next following the date on which the young child becomes an eligible child, and subsequent years commence on the anniversary of that date.