EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends article 7 of the Education (National Curriculum) (Key Stage 2 Assessment Arrangements) (England) Order 2003 ("the 2003 Order") (S.I. 2003/1038) and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made. Article 7 of the 2003 Order provides for the investigation by the Secretary of State of the accuracy or correctness of the results of National Curriculum tests ("NC tests") in the Key Stage 2 core subjects of English, mathematics and science, and amendment of those results where appropriate if the Secretary of State makes a determination to that effect.

Article 2 of this Order amends the test to be applied by the Secretary of State in article 7(3) and (6) of the 2003 Order for the purposes of determining the accuracy or correctness of the results of NC tests in the core subjects. The amended test is whether the accuracy or correctness of the NC test results is in doubt.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the business or civil society organisations. The instrument has a minimal impact on the public sector.