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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2022 No. 720**

**The Coasting Schools (England) Regulations 2022**

**Coasting schools**

**4.—(1)** A school is coasting<sup>(1)</sup> for the purposes of section 60B(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 where paragraph (2), (3), (4) or (5) applies in relation to the school.

- (2) This paragraph applies in relation to a school (“school A”) where school A—
- (a) has had two or more section 5 inspections;
  - (b) at its most recent section 5 inspection, was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement” for the quality of education provided in that school; and
  - (c) in the section 5 inspection that took place before the inspection referred to in subparagraph (b), was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement”, “satisfactory” or “inadequate” for the quality of education provided in that school.
- (3) This paragraph applies in relation to a school (“school B”) where school B—
- (a) has had only one section 5 inspection;
  - (b) in that inspection was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement” for the quality of education provided in that school;
  - (c) has one predecessor school; and
  - (d) in the last section 5 inspection of the predecessor school, the predecessor school was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement”, “satisfactory” or “inadequate” for the quality of education provided in that school.
- (4) This paragraph applies in relation to a school (“school C”) where school C—
- (a) has had only one section 5 inspection;
  - (b) in that inspection was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement” for the quality of education provided in that school;
  - (c) has two or more predecessor schools; and
  - (d) in the most recent section 5 inspection of each of those predecessor schools, each predecessor school was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement”, “satisfactory” or “inadequate” for the quality of education provided in that school.
- (5) This paragraph applies in relation to a school (“school D”)—
- (a) where school D is in a chain;
  - (b) where school D has had only one section 5 inspection;
  - (c) in that inspection was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement” for the quality of education provided in that school;
  - (d) where its predecessor school has not been subject to a section 5 inspection; and

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(1) By virtue of section 2B(6) of the Academies Act 2010 (c. 32), the definition of “coasting” applies in respect of academies as it does in respect of maintained schools.

- (e) in the most recent section 5 inspection of a relevant school, that school was awarded by the Chief Inspector a grade of “requires improvement”, “satisfactory” or “inadequate” for the quality of education provided in the school.
- (6) For the purposes of this regulation, a predecessor school is a school that—
  - (a) has been discontinued; and
  - (b) upon discontinuation was replaced by school B, school C or school D.
- (7) For the purposes of paragraph (5), school D is in a chain since—
  - (a) it has one predecessor school; and
  - (b) the predecessor school replaced at least one relevant school.
- (8) For the purpose of construing paragraph (7), “relevant school” means a school in the chain other than school D or its predecessor school.
- (9) In this regulation a “section 5 inspection” means an inspection under section 5 of the Education Act 2005(2).

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(2) 2005 c. 18. Section 5 has been amended by paragraph 23 of Schedule 7 to the Education and Inspections Act 2006, paragraph 17 of Schedule 2 to the Academies Act 2010 (c. 32), and sections 40(2) and 41(1) of, and paragraph 15(2) of Schedule 13 to, the 2011 Act.