
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace, with changes, the Childcare Act 2006 (Local Authority Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2013.

Regulation 3 imposes a duty upon local authorities to carry out childcare sufficiency assessments.

Regulation 4 sets out a requirement for an action plan to be prepared as part of the local authority's assessment.

Regulation 5 introduces the Schedule which prescribes the matters that must be contained in the assessment.

Regulations 6 and 7 prescribe the persons who local authorities could consider consulting and the persons they must consult in preparing the assessment.

Regulation 8 requires local authorities to allow the persons who have been consulted the opportunity to comment upon the draft assessment before publication.

Regulations 10 and 11 deal with the requirement to publish the draft assessment.

Regulation 12 requires local authorities to submit annual progress reports to the Welsh Ministers.

These Regulations come into force on 1 April 2016.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from the Education and Public Services Group, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Childcare Act 2006 (Local Authority Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2016.