
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Education Workforce Council (Accreditation of Initial Teacher Training) (Wales) Regulations 2017

PART 1

GENERAL

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Education Workforce Council (Accreditation of Initial Teacher Training) (Wales) Regulations 2017.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 10 March 2017.

(3) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the 1996 Act” (“*Deddf 1996*”) means the Education Act 1996⁽¹⁾;

“the 1998 Act” (“*Deddf 1998*”) means the Teaching and Higher Education Act 1998⁽²⁾;

“the 2002 Act” means the Education Act 2002 (“*Deddf 2002*”)⁽³⁾;

“the 2014 Act” (“*Deddf 2014*”) means the Education (Wales) Act 2014;

“the 2012 Regulations” (“*Rheoliadau 2012*”) means the School Teachers’ Qualifications (Wales) Regulations 2012⁽⁴⁾;

“accredited course or programme of study” (“*cwrs neu raglen astudio achrededig*”) means a course or programme of initial school teacher training accredited by the Council under article 3(1)(a) of the Education Workforce Council (Accreditation of Initial Teacher Training) (Additional Functions) (Wales) Order 2017;

“accreditation criteria” (“*meini prawf achredu*”) means the criteria specified by the Welsh Ministers under regulation 4;

“accredited institution” (“*sefydliad achrededig*”) means an institution accredited by the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales under regulation 7 of the 2012 Regulations;

“Appeals Committee” (“*Pwyllgor Apelau*”) means the accreditation of initial school teacher training appeals committee established under regulation 7;

“the applicant” (“*y ceisydd*”) means an institution submitting an application for accreditation by the Council of a course or programme of initial school teacher training;

(1) 1996 c. 56.

(2) 1998 c. 30.

(3) 2002 c. 32.

(4) S.I. 2012/724 (W. 96).

“Committee” (“*Pwyllgor*”) means the accreditation of initial school teacher training committee established under regulation 5;

“the Council” (“*y Cyngor*”) means the Education Workforce Council continued in existence by section 2 of the 2014 Act;

“chief officer” (“*prif swyddog*”) means the chief officer of the Council;

“further education institution” (“*sefydliad addysg bellach*”) has the meaning given in section 140 of the 2002 Act;

“member of the Council” (“*aelod o’r Cyngor*”) means a member of the Council appointed in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the 2014 Act;

“provider” (“*darparwr*”) means a body that provides courses or programmes of initial school teacher training.

Revocation, saving and transitional provisions

3.—(1) Regulation 7 of the 2012 Regulations is revoked subject to paragraph (2).

(2) Regulation 7 of the 2012 Regulations is to continue to have effect until any accredited institution is no longer so accredited.

(3) Any accreditation given to an accredited institution under regulation 7 of the 2012 Regulations and in force immediately before the coming into force of these Regulations is to continue to have effect until the earlier of the following—

- (a) the expiry of the duration of each course or programme of initial school teacher training provided by the accredited institution and started before the coming into force of these Regulations;
- (b) there are no courses or programmes of initial school teacher training provided by the accredited institution that have any students enrolled on them;
- (c) the accredited institution notifies the Council that it no longer wishes to be an accredited institution;
- (d) the Council withdraws the accreditation of an accredited institution for non compliance with the accreditation criteria; or
- (e) 31 August 2023.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation any reference to the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales in regulation 7(3) of the 2012 Regulations is to have effect as if it were a reference to the Council.