WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 92

The Education Workforce Council (Registration Fees) Regulations 2017

Title, commencement and application

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Education Workforce Council (Registration Fees) Regulations 2017 and they come into force on 1 February 2017 except for regulation 2 which comes into force on 1 April 2017.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

Revocation

2. The Education Workforce Council (Registration Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2016(1) are revoked.

Interpretation

3. In these Regulations—

"the 2014 Act" ("Deddf 2014") means the Education (Wales) Act 2014;

"category of registration fee" ("*ffi'r categori cofrestru*") means the fee payable in relation to each category of registration set out in regulation 4(1);

"employer" ("*cyflogwr*") means a person who employs or engages a registered person to provide relevant services;

"fee" ("ffi") means any fee payable by virtue of section 12 of the 2014 Act;

"notification date" ("*dyddiad hysbysu*") means the date notified to an employer by the Council as being the date upon which the fee becomes payable;

"Register" ("*Cofrestr*") means the register established and maintained under section 9 of the 2014 Act; and "registration" ("*cofrestru*") means registration on the Register;

"work based learning body" (*"corff dysgu seiliedig ar waith"*) has the meaning given to it in article 2 of the Education Workforce Council (Registration of Youth Workers, Youth Support Workers and Work Based Learning Practitioners) Order 2016(**2**).

Amount of registration fee payable

4.—(1) The registration fee payable for the year commencing on 1 April 2017 and ending on 31 March 2018 and each subsequent year is—

- (a) £46 per year for a school teacher(**3**);
- (b) £46 per year for a school learning support worker(4);

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2016/27 (W. 9).

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2016/1183 (W.288).

⁽³⁾ As defined in row 1 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

⁽⁴⁾ As defined in row 2 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

- (c) £46 per year for a further education teacher(5);
- (d) £46 per year for a further education learning support worker(6);
- (e) £46 per year for a youth worker(7);
- (f) £46 per year for a youth support worker(8); and
- (g) £46 per year for a work based learning practitioner(9).

(2) The fee payable pursuant to paragraph (1) is to be subsidised by such amount as may be determined by the Welsh Ministers from time to time.

(3) The amount of any subsidy determined by the Welsh Ministers in accordance with paragraph (2) must be published on the Welsh Government website.

(4) Where a person applies to be registered or is registered in more than one category of registration—

- (a) only one category of registration fee is payable; and
- (b) the category of registration fee payable is the higher of those fees after taking into account any subsidy determined pursuant to paragraph (2).

Provision to be made by the Council in relation to fees

5. The Council may make provision—

- (a) to charge and recover fees determined by the Welsh Ministers in respect of-
 - (i) applications for registration or for the restoration of entries in the Register; and
 - (ii) the retention of entries in the Register; and
- (b) for there to be exceptions and exemptions where fees are not charged.

Information to be supplied by an employer to the Council on request

6. An employer must notify the Council upon request of the details specified in the Schedule of any person who is employed or otherwise engaged by that employer to provide relevant services on a date specified by the Council and who is required to be registered by virtue of regulations made under sections 14 to 16 of the 2014 Act.

Deduction of fee

7.—(1) The employer of a person to whom this regulation applies must secure that the fee is deducted from the payment of salary made to that person immediately following the notification date.

(2) This regulation applies to a person in respect of whom the employer has received notice ("a payment notice") from the Council that they are required to secure that the fee is deducted from that person's salary.

(3) A payment notice must specify the amount to be deducted taking into account the amount of subsidy determined in accordance with regulation 4(2).

(4) A payment notice may be issued to an employer only if the Council is satisfied that on the notification date the person in respect of whom the notice is issued has not already paid the fee and is—

(a) registered on the Register, or

⁽⁵⁾ As defined in row 3 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

⁽⁶⁾ As defined in row 4 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

⁽⁷⁾ As defined in row 5 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.(8) As defined in row 6 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

⁽⁹⁾ As defined in row 0 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.(9) As defined in row 7 of Table 1 in Schedule 2 to the 2014 Act.

(b) required to be so registered by virtue of regulations made under sections 14 to 16 of the 2014 Act.

Remittance of fees to the Council

8. The employer must within 14 days of the fee being deducted in accordance with regulation 5 remit that fee to the Council.

Information to be supplied to the Council by the employer with the fee

9. When remitting the fee the employer must notify the Council of the details specified in the Schedule of the person in relation to whom the fee is remitted.

Failure to discharge duty

10. Failure by a person to discharge a duty within a time limit specified in these Regulations does not relieve that person of that duty.

Kirsty Williams Cabinet Secretary for Education, one of the Welsh Ministers

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