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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 1339**

**The Local Authority Fostering  
Services (Wales) Regulations 2018**

**PART 3**

Requirements on local authority providers as to the information to be provided to individuals on commencement of the provision of care and support

**Information about the service etc.**

**12.**—(1) The local authority provider must prepare a written guide to the service.

(2) The guide must be—

- (a) dated, reviewed at least annually and updated as necessary,
- (b) in a language, style, presentation and format which is appropriate for both children (of all ages and understanding) and adults,
- (c) given to—
  - (i) any child placed by the provider,
  - (ii) any foster parents and prospective foster parents,
  - (iii) in the case of a child who is placed with an area authority, that authority, and
- (d) made available to others on request, unless this is not appropriate or would be inconsistent with the well-being of the child.

(3) The guide must contain the following—

- (a) a summary of the policies and procedures which the local authority provider must put in place under regulation 10(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (h) and (j),
- (b) information about how to make a complaint,
- (c) information about the availability of independent advocacy services for children who are looked after by a local authority,
- (d) information about the role and contact details for the Children's Commissioner for Wales

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(4) The local authority provider must ensure that children receive such support as is necessary to enable them to understand the information contained in the guide.

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**Marginal Citations**

**M1** The office of the Children's Commissioner for Wales was created by section 72 of the [Care Standards Act 2000 \(c. 14\)](#).

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Local Authority Fostering Services (Wales) Regulations 2018, Section 12.