



Education Act 1993

1993 CHAPTER 35

PART VI

MISCELLANEOUS

School leaving date

277 Compulsory school age

- (1) Subsections (2) and (3) below apply to determine for the purposes of any enactment whether a person is of compulsory school age.
- (2) A person begins to be of compulsory school age when he attains the age of five years.
- (3) A person ceases to be of compulsory school age at the end of the day which is the school leaving date for any calendar year if—
 - (a) he attains the age of sixteen years after that day but before the beginning of the school year next following,
 - (b) he attains that age on that day, or
 - (c) subject to paragraph (a) above, if that day is the school leaving date next following his attaining that age.
- (4) The Secretary of State may by order determine the day in any calendar year which is to be the school leaving date for that year.