



Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 22

PART 7

THE OFFICE OF QUALIFICATIONS AND EXAMINATIONS REGULATION

CHAPTER 2

FUNCTIONS IN RELATION TO QUALIFICATIONS

Recognised bodies: monitoring and enforcement

152 Power to withdraw recognition

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if a recognised body has failed to comply with a condition to which the recognition is subject.
- [^{F1}(2) Ofqual may withdraw recognition from the recognised body in respect of the award or authentication of—
 - (a) a specified qualification or description of qualification in respect of which the body is recognised, or
 - (b) every qualification or description of qualification in respect of which the body is recognised.]
- (3) Before withdrawing recognition from a recognised body in any respect Ofqual must give notice to the body of its intention to do so.
- (4) The notice must—
 - (a) set out Ofqual's reasons for proposing to withdraw recognition from the recognised body in the respect in question, and

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- (b) specify the period during which, and the way in which, the recognised body may make representations about the proposal.
- (5) Ofqual must have regard to any representations made by the recognised body during the period specified in the notice in deciding whether to withdraw recognition from the body in the respect in question.
- (6) If Ofqual decides to withdraw recognition from a recognised body Ofqual—
- (a) must give notice to the body of its decision and of the date on which the withdrawal is to take effect, and
 - (b) may make saving or transitional provision.
- (7) At any time before a withdrawal takes effect Ofqual may vary the date on which it is to take effect by giving further notice to the recognised body.
- (8) Ofqual must establish arrangements for the review, at the request of a recognised body, of a decision to withdraw recognition under this section.
- (9) The arrangements established under subsection (8) must require the decision on review to be made by a person who is independent of Ofqual.
- (10) A person is independent of Ofqual for the purposes of subsection (9) if the person is—
- (a) an individual who is not a member of Ofqual or Ofqual's staff, or
 - (b) a body none of whose members is a member of Ofqual or Ofqual's staff.

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 152(2) substituted (1.5.2012) by [Education Act 2011 \(c. 21\)](#), ss. **23(4)**, 82(3); S.I. 2012/924, art. 3

Commencement Information

I1 S. 152 in force at 1.4.2010 by [S.I. 2010/1151](#), art. 2, [Sch. 1](#)

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Commencement Orders bringing provisions within this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2009/3341 art. 2](#) commences (2009 c. 22)
- [S.I. 2010/2413 art. 2](#) commences (2009 c. 22)
- [S.I. 2011/829 art. 2](#) commences (2009 c. 22)
- [S.I. 2011/882 art. 2](#) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2010/303 art. 7 Sch. 6