



Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 22

PART 13

GENERAL

264 General interpretation of Act

- (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
 - “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations;
 - “regulations” means regulations made by the Secretary of State.
- (2) Subject to subsections (4) and (5), the [Education Act 1996 \(c. 56\)](#) and the provisions of this Act specified in subsection (3) are to be construed as if those provisions were contained in that Act.
- (3) The provisions are—
 - (a) Parts 3, 4 and 5;
 - (b) Parts 7 and 8;
 - (c) Chapter 4 of Part 10;
 - (d) sections 248, 251 and 252.
- (4) Section 562 of the [Education Act 1996](#) (Act not to apply to certain persons detained under order of a court) does not apply to functions of the Secretary of State under Part 4.
- (5) If—
 - (a) an expression is given a meaning for the purposes of a provision within subsection (3) (its “local meaning”), and
 - (b) that meaning is different from the meaning given to it for the purposes of the [Education Act 1996](#) (its “1996 Act meaning”),the expression’s local meaning applies instead of its 1996 Act meaning.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) Unless the context otherwise requires, a reference in this Act to—
- (a) a community, foundation or voluntary school, or
 - (b) a community or foundation special school,
- is to such a school within the meaning of the [School Standards and Framework Act 1998 \(c. 31\)](#).