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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 1866**

**The Education (School Inspection) (Wales) Regulations 1998**

**PART III**

**INSPECTIONS OF DENOMINATIONAL EDUCATION**

**11.** In this Part of these Regulations—

“action plan” means the written statement referred to in paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 4 to the 1996 Act;

“denominational education”, in relation to a school, means any religious education which—

(a) is required by section 352(1)(a) of the Education Act 1996 to be included in the school’s basic curriculum, but

(b) is not required by any enactment to be given in accordance with an agreed syllabus;

“inspection” means an inspection of a school under section 23 of the 1996 Act; and

“inspector” means the person conducting the inspection.

**Intervals for inspection**

**12.** Where the governing body of a voluntary or grant-maintained school are required by section 23 of the 1996 Act to secure that the denominational education given to any pupils or the content of the school’s collective worship (or both) are inspected they shall secure that the inspection takes place—

(a) in the case of a secondary school, before 1st September 2004 and thereafter at intervals of six years; and

(b) in the case of a school which is not a secondary school, before 1st September 2005 and thereafter at intervals of six years.

**Reports and Action Plans**

**13.—**(1) An inspection shall be carried out during a period not exceeding two weeks.

(2) The inspector shall, within five weeks from the date when the inspection is completed or within seven weeks from that date where it is necessary to provide a translation into Welsh or English, prepare in writing a report of the inspection and a summary of the report.

(3) The governing body shall, within forty working days from the date when the inspector reported to them or within forty five working days from that date where it is necessary to provide a translation into Welsh or English, prepare an action plan.

(4) The governing body shall, within five working days from the date when they complete the preparation of the action plan, send copies of it to the following persons (in addition to the person mentioned in paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 4 to the 1996 Act)—

(a) all persons employed as teachers at the school or to participate in the school’s collective worship;

- (b) in the case of a school in a group of grant-maintained schools in respect of which any person has power to appoint an externally appointed core governor under a provision of the instrument of government made in pursuance of Schedule 25 to the Education Act 1996, that person; and
- (c) in the case of an aided or grant-maintained secondary school the instrument of government of which names a person as a sponsor of the school, that person.

**Fees for provision of the report and summary and of the action plan**

**14.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), a governing body may require payment of a fee (not exceeding the cost of supply) where they provide—

- (a) under paragraph (2)(4)(b) of Schedule 4 to the 1996 Act—
  - (i) a copy of a report to any person who asks for one;
  - (ii) a copy of a summary to any person to whom they have previously provided a copy of that summary; or
- (b) under paragraph 3(3)(b) of Schedule 4 to the 1996 Act a copy of an action plan to any person—
  - (i) who is not otherwise entitled to receive a copy of that action plan and whose home or whose principal office is located outside a radius of three miles from the school; or
  - (ii) to whom they have previously provided a copy of that action plan.

(2) A governing body may not require payment of a fee under paragraph (1) if the document containing the copy of the report or summary, as the case may be, forms part of or is otherwise bound with a document containing a copy of the report or summary referred to in regulation 7 of these Regulations and a fee has been paid under regulation 10 of these Regulations.