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**EDUCATION, ENGLAND**

**The Education (Head Teachers' Qualifications) (England)  
(Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2005**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>30th November 2005</i>
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<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>31st December 2005</i>

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 135(2), 145(1) and 210(7) of the Education Act 2002(a) the Secretary of State for Education and Skills makes the following Regulations:

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Education (Head Teachers' Qualifications) (England) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2005.

(2) These Regulations apply only in relation to England.

**2.**—(1) The Education (Head Teachers' Qualifications) (England) Regulations 2003(b) shall be amended in accordance with this regulation.

(2) For regulation 3 (Interpretation) substitute—

“**3.** In these Regulations—

“National Professional Qualification for Headship” means the qualification awarded by the Secretary of State to a person if he is satisfied that the person has successfully completed a course of training for the National Professional Qualification for Headship approved by the National College for School Leadership Limited; and

“National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership” means the qualification awarded by the Secretary of State to a person if he is satisfied that the person has successfully completed a course of training for the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership approved by the National College for School Leadership Limited.”.

(3) After regulation 5(2) insert—

“(3) A person may serve as a head teacher of a maintained nursery school without a qualification mentioned in regulation 4(1) if he holds, or has successfully applied for a training course for the purpose of gaining, the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership.”.

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(a) 2002 c.32; by virtue of the definition of “regulations” in section 212(1), these Regulations made by the Secretary of State apply only in relation to England.  
(b) S.I. 2003/3111 to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

30th November 2005

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

The Education (Head Teachers' Qualifications) (England) Regulations 2003, which have been amended by the Education (Head Teachers' Qualifications) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2005, require a first time head teacher of a maintained school in England to hold a prescribed qualification. This qualification is the National Professional Qualification for Headship, or its equivalent in Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the European Economic Area or Switzerland.

These amendment regulations exempt from that requirement head teachers of maintained nursery schools in England, who may instead hold, or be working towards, the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership.

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