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Statutory guidance sets out what schools and local authorities must do to comply with the law. You should follow the guidance unless you have a very good reason not to.  
  
There is some guidance that you must follow without exception. In these cases we make this clear in the guidance document itself.

These publications reflect the current legal position (unless otherwise indicated), but may not reflect the current government’s policies.

For guidance on assessments, view [Standard and Testing Agency (STA) publications](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications?keywords=&taxons%5B%5D=all&subtaxons%5B%5D=all&publication_filter_option=guidance&departments%5B%5D=standards-and-testing-agency&official_document_status=all&world_locations%5B%5D=all&from_date=&to_date=).

**Administration and finance**

* [**Change of land use due to an academy conversion**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/change-of-land-use-due-to-an-academy-conversion)
  + 17 December 2010
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Home-to-school travel**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/home-to-school-travel-and-transport-guidance)
  + 29 June 2023
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Transport to education and training for people aged 16 and over**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/post-16-transport-to-education-and-training)
  + 28 January 2019
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Schemes for financing schools**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/schemes-for-financing-schools)
  + 31 March 2023
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Schools causing concern**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/schools-causing-concern--2)
  + 10 July 2023
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Cost of school uniforms**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cost-of-school-uniforms)
  + 19 November 2021
  + Statutory guidance

**Admissions**

* [**School admissions code**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-admissions-code--2)
  + 11 March 2022
  + Statutory guidance
* [**School admission appeals code**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-admissions-appeals-code)
  + 20 January 2023
  + Statutory guidance

**Behaviour and attendance**

* [**Alternative provision**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/alternative-provision)
  + 27 June 2016
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Behaviour and discipline in schools: guide for governing bodies**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/behaviour-and-discipline-in-schools-guidance-for-governing-bodies)
  + 24 September 2015
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children missing education**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-missing-education)
  + 5 September 2016
  + Statutory guidance
* [**School behaviour and attendance: parental responsibility measures**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/parental-responsibility-measures-for-behaviour-and-attendance)
  + 29 May 2020
  + Statutory guidance
* [**School suspensions and permanent exclusions**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion)
  + 25 May 2023
  + Statutory guidance

**Curriculum**

* [**National curriculum in England: framework for key stages 1 to 4**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-framework-for-key-stages-1-to-4)
  + 2 December 2014
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: primary curriculum**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-primary-curriculum)
  + 6 May 2015
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: secondary curriculum**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-secondary-curriculum)
  + 2 December 2014
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: English programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-english-programmes-of-study)
  + 16 July 2014
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: mathematics programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-mathematics-programmes-of-study)
  + 28 September 2021
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: science programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-science-programmes-of-study)
  + 6 May 2015
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: art and design programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-art-and-design-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: citizenship programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-citizenship-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: computing programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-computing-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: design and technology programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-design-and-technology-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: geography programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-geography-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: history programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-history-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: languages programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-languages-progammes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: music programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-music-programmes-of-study)
  + 26 March 2021
  + Statutory guidance
* [**National curriculum in England: PE programmes of study**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-physical-education-programmes-of-study)
  + 11 September 2013
  + Statutory guidance

**Governance**

* [**Constitution of governing bodies of maintained schools**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/constitution-of-governing-bodies-of-maintained-schools)
  + 29 August 2017
  + Statutory guidance
* [**School Governance (Collaboration) Regulations 2003**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-governance-collaboration-regulations-2003)
  + 1 September 2003
  + Statutory guidance

**Looked-after children**

* [**Designated teacher for looked-after and previously looked-after children**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/designated-teacher-for-looked-after-children)
  + 26 February 2018
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Directors of children’s services: roles and responsibilities**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/directors-of-childrens-services-roles-and-responsibilities)
  + 8 April 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children Act 1989: transition to adulthood for care leavers**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-transition-to-adulthood-for-care-leavers)
  + 1 February 2022
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children Act 1989: fostering services**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-fostering-services)
  + 3 July 2015
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children’s homes regulations, including quality standards: guide**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/childrens-homes-regulations-including-quality-standards-guide)
  + 6 March 2015
  + Statutory guidance

**Safeguarding children and young people**

* [**Keeping children safe in education**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1181955/Keeping_children_safe_in_education_2023.pdf)
  + 1 September 2023
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Working together to safeguard children**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children--2)
  + 1 July 2022
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Multi-agency statutory guidance on female genital mutilation**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multi-agency-statutory-guidance-on-female-genital-mutilation)
  + 30 July 2020
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Disqualification under the Childcare Act 2006**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/disqualification-under-the-childcare-act-2006)
  + 31 August 2018
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Promoting the education of looked-after and previously looked-after children**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/promoting-the-education-of-looked-after-children)
  + 26 February 2018
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Supervision of activity with children**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/supervision-of-activity-with-children)
  + 10 September 2012
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children Act 1989: court orders**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-court-orders--2)
  + 17 April 2014
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Children Act 1989: care planning, placement and case review**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/children-act-1989-care-planning-placement-and-case-review)
  + 8 July 2021
  + Statutory guidance

**Special educational / health needs**

* [**Education for children with health needs who cannot attend school**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/education-for-children-with-health-needs-who-cannot-attend-school)
  + 17 May 2013
  + Statutory guidance
* [**SEND code of practice: 0 to 25 years**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25)
  + 30 April 2020
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Supporting pupils with medical conditions at school**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/supporting-pupils-at-school-with-medical-conditions--3)
  + 16 August 2017
  + Statutory guidance

**Staff employment and teachers pay**

* [**Induction for newly qualified teachers (NQTs)**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/induction-for-newly-qualified-teachers-nqts)
  + 19 April 2021
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Initial teacher training (ITT): criteria and supporting advice**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/initial-teacher-training-criteria)
  + 16 June 2023
  + Statutory guidance
* [**School teachers' pay and conditions**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-teachers-pay-and-conditions)
  + 30 March 2023
  + Statutory guidance

**Schools and colleges careers guidance**

* [**Participation of young people: education, employment and training**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/participation-of-young-people-education-employment-and-training)
  + 20 October 2016
  + Statutory guidance
* [**Careers guidance and access for education and training providers**](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/careers-guidance-provision-for-young-people-in-schools)
  + 5 January 2023
  + Statutory guidance

**Further Guidance and London Policies/Guidance**

* **Behaviour in schools Advice for** [**headteachers**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1101597/Behaviour_in_schools_guidance_sept_22.pdf) **and school staff**
  + September 2022
  + Guidance and advice to schools on behaviour in schools and the related legal duties of headteachers, and members of staff.
* **The London Child** [**Exploitation**](https://www.met.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/media/downloads/central/services/accessing-information/child-abuse/the-london-child-exploitation-operating_protocol_2021.pdf) **Operating Protocol 2021**
  + January 2021
  + Operating protocol
* [**Safeguarding children and young people in education from knife crime**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/916668/Knife_crime_safeguarding_children_and_young_people.pdf)
  + March 2019
  + Findings and recommendations from a research project
* **Child** [**sexual**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/591903/CSE_Guidance_Core_Document_13.02.2017.pdf) **exploitation**
  + February 2017
  + Definition and a guide for practitioners, local leaders and decision makers working to protect children from child sexual exploitation
* **Help, protection,** [**education**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/809236/190614_CHILDREN_IN_NEED_PUBLICATION_FINAL.pdf)**: concluding the Children in Need review**
  + June 2019
  + A guide for how children can be best supported
* **Mental health and** [**behaviour**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1069687/Mental_health_and_behaviour_in_schools.pdf) **in schools**
  + November 2018
  + Non-statutory advice from the DfE. Mental health problems affect many people, and most schools will have pupils who need mental health support.
* [**Prevent duty guidance: Guidance for** **specified authorities in England and Wales**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1182780/14.258_HO_Prevent_Duty_Guidance_v5c.pdf)
  + 2023
  + This guidance replaces the ‘Revised Prevent duty guidance: for England and Wales’, the ‘Prevent duty guidance: for further education institutions in England and Wales’, and the ‘Prevent duty guidance: for higher education institutions in England and Wales’ of 2015 (updated in April 2021)
* [**Preventing and Tackling Bullying**](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/625ee64cd3bf7f6004339db8/Preventing_and_tackling_bullying_advice.pdf)
  + July 2017
  + Advice for headteachers, staff and governing bodies
* **[Safeguarding disabled children](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5a7b27da40f0b66a2fc05897/00374-2009DOM-EN.pdf)** 
  + July 2009
  + Practice Guidance
* **[Teaching online safety in schools](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/teaching-online-safety-in-schools/teaching-online-safety-in-schools)** 
  + January 2023
  + Guidance
* **[Information sharing: advice for practitioners providing safeguarding services](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/623c57d28fa8f540eea34c27/Information_sharing_advice_practitioners_safeguarding_services.pdf)**
  + July 2018
  + Advice for practitioners providing safeguarding services to children, young people, parents and carers
* **[Data protection in schools](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/data-protection-in-schools/sharing-personal-data" \l ":~:text=You%20must%20have%20a%20compelling,personal%20information%20about%20your%20pupils.)**
  + February 2023
  + Sharing personal data: Who you can share personal data with and what consent you need to get – for example, when publishing exam results and taking photos in school.
* **[Female genital mutilation: resource pack](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/female-genital-mutilation-resource-pack/female-genital-mutilation-resource-pack)**
  + February 2023
  + This resource was developed in response to requests for clearer direction from central government about the safeguarding responsibilities of local authorities.
  + It is designed to highlight examples from areas where effective practice has been identified and to emphasise what works in protecting survivors and those at risk of female genital mutilation (FGM).
* **[Meeting digital and technology standards in schools and colleges](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-digital-and-technology-standards-in-schools-and-colleges/cyber-security-standards-for-schools-and-colleges)**
  + March 2023
  + Cyber security standards for schools and colleges