

STUDENT SUPPORT INFORMATION NOTE:

2011/12 : CHANGES TO CLASSES OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS FOR STUDENTS FUNDED UNDER THE STUDENT SUPPORT REGULATIONS

TO:

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (for the attention of Student Support Awards Officers)

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Dear Colleague

HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT SUPPORT IN ENGLAND:

**THE EDUCATION (STUDENT FEES, AWARDS AND SUPPORT)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2011 (S.I. 2011 No.87)**

The Education (Student Fees, Awards and Support) (Amendment) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011 No. 87) were laid before Parliament on 18 January and will come into force on 09 February 2011, subject to consideration by Parliament. These Regulations amend three sets of Regulations: the Education (Student Support) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/1555, as amended) ("the SSR 2009"), the Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) (England) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/778, as amended) ("the QCP Regulations") and the Education (Fees and Awards) (England) Regulations 2007 (S.I. 2007/779 as amended) ("the Fees Regulations").

The amendments replace the category of 'persons with leave to enter or remain and their family members' with 'person granted humanitarian protection'. This removes eligibility for student support or regulated fees and home fee status for holders of Discretionary Leave to enter or remain, until

they are awarded settled status; the Regulations also introduce a new definition of 'parent'; and introduce a new definition of 'family member' for EEA workers/self-employed persons. The letter amendment aligns the definition in the QCP Regulations and the Fees Regulations with the amended definition in the SSR 2009 (by S.I. 2010 No. 2546).

Electronic copies of these Regulations can be downloaded from the legislation website at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2011/87/made/data.pdf>

The details of the changes can be found in the Explanatory memorandum to the Regulations and can be accessed at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2011/87/memorandum/contents>

THE EDUCATION (STUDENT SUPPORT) (EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE) REGULATIONS 2010 (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2011 (S.I. 2011 No. 83)

Corresponding changes have been made to the regulations providing support to students attending the European University Institute. An electronic copy of the Regulations can be downloaded at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2011/83/made/data.pdf>

ENQUIRIES

If you have any queries about the Student Support Regulations, please contact, in the first instance, the Student Finance England Practitioner Support Team - telephone 0845 6020583; email: SSIN_queries@slc.co.uk

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