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Secondary Schools (Admissions Criteria) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990

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The Department of Education, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 38(6) of the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989(**a**) and every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Secondary Schools (Admissions Criteria) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990 and shall come into operation on 21st September 1990.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"preference" means a preference expressed by a parent as to the school at which he wishes education to be provided for his child by virtue of Article 36(1) or 36(5) of the 1989 Order;

"the 1989 Order" means the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989;

"the criteria" means the criteria to be drawn up under Article 38(1) of the 1989 Order;

"transfer procedure tests" means the tests set and marked by the Department as part of the arrangements for the transfer of children from primary to secondary education.

Application

3. Save as otherwise herein provided these regulations shall apply to all grant-aided secondary schools.

Matters to be included in criteria

4. The criteria shall include the following matters:

(*a*) the order of priority in which pupils shall be admitted to the school where the number of applications for admission exceeds the school's admissions number for any school year;

(**a**) S.I. 1989/2406 (N.I. 20)