

2017 No. 22

**The Welsh Government Learning
Grant (Further Education) (Wales)
Scheme 2017**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Scheme)

This Scheme provides for the payment of a means-tested grant (a “Welsh Government Learning Grant”) to help meet the costs of studying, to students aged 19 or over, ordinarily resident in Wales, and who take designated further education courses during the academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2017. The Welsh Government Learning Grant is available to eligible students whether they choose to study in Wales or elsewhere in the UK.

The Scheme comes into force on 1 September 2017 and applies in respect of the academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2017 but before 1 September 2018.

The Welsh Government Learning Grant (Further Education) (Wales) Scheme 2016 (2016 No. 22) remains in force in respect of the academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2016 but before 1 September 2017.

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This Scheme operates under sections 14, 15 and 16 of the Education Act 2002 and applies in relation to academic year 2017/2018.

PART 1 GENERAL

Title and application

1.—(1) The title of this Scheme is the Welsh Government Learning Grant (Further Education) (Wales) Scheme 2017.

(2) This Scheme applies in relation to Wales.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Scheme—

“2016 tax year” (“*blwyddyn dreth 2016*”) means the twelve month period ending 5 April 2016;

“2017 tax year” (“*blwyddyn dreth 2017*”) means the twelve month period ending 5 April 2017;

“2018 tax year” (“*blwyddyn dreth 2018*”) means the twelve month period ending 5 April 2018;

“Academic Year 2014/2015” (“*Blwyddyn Academaidd 2014/2015*”) means the period of twelve months beginning on—

- (a) 1 September 2014 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 September 2014 and before 1 January 2015;
- (b) 1 January 2015 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 January 2015 and before 1 April 2015;

- (c) 1 April 2015 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 April 2015 and before 1 July 2015;
- (d) 1 July 2015 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 July 2015 and before 1 September 2015;

“Academic Year 2017/2018” (*“Blwyddyn Academaidd 2017/2018”*) means the period of twelve months beginning on—

- (a) 1 September 2017 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 September 2017 and before 1 January 2018;
- (b) 1 January 2018 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 January 2018 and before 1 April 2018;
- (c) 1 April 2018 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 April 2018 and before 1 July 2018;
- (d) 1 July 2018 where the academic year of the designated course in question begins on or after 1 July 2018 and before 1 September 2018;

“applicant” (*“ceisydd”*) means a person who applies for support in accordance with paragraph 6;

“contact hours” (*“oriau cyswllt”*) means the period of time expressed in hours in respect of which an eligible student receives teaching or supervision during periods of study or practice;

“designated course” (*“cwrs dynodedig”*) means for the purposes of this Scheme and Academic Year 2017/2018, a course of education (other than higher education) or training which—

- (a) leads to qualifications up to and including National Qualifications Level 3 issued by a recognised awarding body;
- (b) requires attendance at a further education institution or at the premises of another provider of education or training; and
- (c) is funded by—
 - (i) the Welsh Government;
 - (ii) the Education Funding Agency;
 - (iii) the Skills Funding Agency; or
 - (iv) a public authority responsible for the funding of education (other than higher education) and training suitable to the requirements of persons aged 19 or over in Scotland or Northern Ireland;

“electronic signature” (“*llofnod electronig*”) is so much of anything in electronic form as —

- (a) is incorporated into or otherwise logically associated with any electronic communication or electronic data; and
- (b) purports to be so incorporated or associated for the purpose of being used in establishing the authenticity of the communication or data, the integrity of the communication or data, or both;

“eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys*”) means an independent eligible student, a new eligible student or a returning eligible student, as the context may require;

“higher education” (“*addysg uwch*”) means education provided by means of a course of any description in Schedule 6 of the Education Reform Act 1988⁽¹⁾;

“HMRC” (“*CThEM*”) means Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs;

“household income” (“*incwm yr aelwyd*”) has the meaning given in paragraph 9;

“independent eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys annibynnol*”) means a new independent eligible student or a returning independent eligible student, as the context may require;

“learning grant agreement” (“*cytundeb grant dysgu*”) means a document containing such acknowledgements and confirmations in relation to the Welsh Government Learning Grant as the Welsh Ministers may require;

“Member State” (“*Aelod-wladwriaeth*”) means a Member State of the European Union;

“new eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys newydd*”) has the meaning given in paragraph 3(2);

“new independent eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys annibynnol newydd*”) has the meaning given in paragraph 17(1);

“parent” (“*rhiant*”) means a natural or adoptive parent;

“partner” (“*partner*”) means—

- (a) in relation to an independent eligible student any of the following—
 - (i) the independent eligible student’s spouse;
 - (ii) the independent eligible student’s civil partner;

(1) 1988 c. 40.

- (iii) a person ordinarily living with the independent eligible student as their civil partner;
- (iv) a person ordinarily living with the independent eligible student as their spouse;
- (b) in relation to the parent of an eligible student, any of the following, other than another parent of the eligible student—
 - (i) the spouse of the eligible student's parent;
 - (ii) the civil partner of the eligible student's parent;
 - (iii) a person ordinarily living with the eligible student's parent as the parent's spouse;
 - (iv) a person ordinarily living with the eligible student's parent as the parent's civil partner;

“period of full-time study” (*“cyfnod o astudio llawnamser”*) means a period of study on one or more designated courses comprising 500 or more contact hours during Academic Year 2017/2018;

“period of part-time study” (*“cyfnod o astudio rhan-amser”*) means a period of study on one or more designated courses comprising not less than 275 contact hours nor more than 499 contact hours during Academic Year 2017/2018;

“recognised awarding body” (*“corff dyfarnu cydnabyddedig”*) means the Scottish Qualifications Authority⁽¹⁾, an awarding body approved and regulated by the Scottish Qualifications Authority in accordance with the Education (Scotland) Act 1996⁽²⁾, the Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment⁽³⁾, bodies recognised under section 132 of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009⁽⁴⁾ and bodies or persons recognised under section 30(1)(e) of the Education Act 1997⁽⁵⁾ or Part 3 of the Qualifications Wales Act 2015⁽⁶⁾;

“residual income” (*“incwm gweddilliof”*) is calculated in accordance with paragraphs 10 to 16;

(1) The Scottish Qualifications Authority was established by the Scottish Qualifications Authority (Establishment) (Scotland) Order 1996/2248.
 (2) 1996 c. 43.
 (3) The Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment was established by Article 73 of the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1998/1759.
 (4) 2009 c. 22.
 (5) 1997 c. 44.
 (6) 2015 anaw 5.

“returning eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys sy’n dychwelyd*”) has the meaning given in paragraph 3(3);

“returning independent eligible student” (“*myfyriwr cymwys annibynnol sy’n dychwelyd*”) has the meaning given in paragraph 17(2);

“signed” (“.....”) may include signed by way of electronic signature in such form as the Welsh Ministers may require;

“support” (“*cymorth*”) means financial assistance by way of the Welsh Government Learning Grant given by the Welsh Ministers pursuant to this Scheme;

“tax year” (“*blwyddyn dreth*”) means the 2016 tax year, 2017 tax year, or 2018 tax year as the context may require;

“taxable income” (“*incwm trethadwy*”) means—

- (a) in respect of a new eligible student, the parent of a new eligible student, the partner of the parent of a new eligible student and the partner of a new independent eligible student the total income on which that person is charged to income tax as determined—
 - (i) at Step 1 of the calculation in section 23 of the Income Tax Act 2007⁽¹⁾;
 - (ii) in accordance with the income tax legislation of another Member State which applies to the person’s income, prior to the application of any deductions or reliefs, and not including the first £30,000 of any redundancy payments received; or
 - (iii) where the legislation of more than one Member State applies to the period, the legislation in accordance with which the Welsh Ministers consider the person will pay the largest amount of tax in that period prior to the application of any deductions or reliefs, and not including the first £30,000 of any redundancy payments received (except as otherwise provided in paragraph 15) applies;
- (b) in respect of a returning eligible student, the parent of a returning eligible student, the partner of the parent of a returning eligible student and the partner of a returning independent eligible student, that person’s taxable income from all sources as computed for the purposes of—

(1) 2007 c. 3; section 23 was amended by the Finance Act 2009 (c. 10), Schedule 1, paragraph 6(o)(i), the Finance Act 2013 (c. 29), Schedule 3, paragraph 2(2), and the Finance Act 2014 (c. 26) Schedule 17(3), paragraph 19.

- (i) the Income Tax Acts⁽¹⁾;
- (ii) the income tax legislation of another Member State which applies to the person's income; or
- (iii) where the legislation of more than one Member State applies to the period, the legislation under which the Welsh Ministers consider the person will pay the largest amount of tax in that period (except as otherwise provided in paragraph 12) applies; and

“Welsh Government Learning Grant” (“*Grant Dysgu Llywodraeth Cymru*”) means financial assistance by way of grant pursuant to this Scheme.

(2) Where a person's taxable income is computed in accordance with income tax legislation of another Member State other than by reference to a twelve month period ending 5 April in any year, “2016 tax year”, “2017 tax year” and “2018 tax year” are deemed to mean whichever twelve month period applicable for the purposes of computing a person's taxable income under that income tax legislation which ends immediately before 1 September 2016, 1 September 2017 and 1 September 2018 respectively.

(3) Save as provided in paragraphs 12(7) and 15(5), where income is received in a currency other than sterling, the value of that income for the purpose of this Scheme is—

- (a) if sterling is purchased with the income, the amount of sterling received;
- (b) otherwise, the value of sterling which the income would purchase using the average rate for the month in which it is received published by HMRC for the calendar year which ends before the start of the year in respect of which the household income falls to be assessed⁽²⁾.

(1) “The Income Tax Acts” is defined in Schedule 1 to the Interpretation Act 1978 (c. 30) and means all enactments relating to income tax, including any provisions of the Corporation Tax Acts which relate to income tax.

(2) <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/exchange-rates-for-customs-and-vat>.

PART 2

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility

3.—(1) An eligible student qualifies for support in connection with a period of full-time study or a period of part-time study undertaken during Academic Year 2017/2018 subject to and in accordance with this Scheme.

(2) A person is a new eligible student in connection with a designated course if—

- (a) in assessing the person's application for support the Welsh Ministers determine that the person falls within one of the categories set out in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Scheme;
- (b) the person attained the age of 19 on or before 1 September 2017;
- (c) the person starts the course on or after 1 September 2015;
- (d) the person is not an independent eligible student;
- (e) the person is not ineligible by reason of subparagraph (5); and
- (f) the person has signed a learning grant agreement.

(3) A person is a returning eligible student in connection with a designated course if—

- (a) in assessing the person's application for support the Welsh Ministers determine that the person falls within one of the categories set out in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Scheme;
- (b) the person attained the age of 19 on or before 1 September 2017;
- (c) the person began the course before 1 September 2015 and is continuing on that course in Academic Year 2017/18;
- (d) the person is not an independent eligible student;
- (e) the person is not ineligible by reason of subparagraph (5); and
- (f) the person has signed a learning grant agreement.

(4) Paragraph 17 makes provision in respect of independent eligible students.

(5) A person is ineligible if—

- (a) the person has, in the opinion of the Welsh Ministers, shown themselves by their conduct

- to be unfit to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant;
- (b) the person has already received a Welsh Government Learning Grant in relation to attendance on any course during Academic Year 2017/2018; or
- (c) there has been bestowed on, or paid to the person in relation to the person's attendance on the course—
 - (i) separate funding by the Welsh Government in respect of a work based learning programme⁽¹⁾; or
 - (ii) such other financial support from public funds as determined by the Welsh Ministers.

Academic progression

4.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) and paragraph 5, the Welsh Ministers must not pay a Welsh Government Learning Grant to an eligible student in respect of Academic Year 2017/2018 or part of that year unless they are satisfied on reasonable grounds that the period of study concerned involves academic progression for the student in comparison with study undertaken by the student in previous academic years.

(2) The Welsh Ministers may pay a Welsh Government Learning Grant to an eligible student for a repeated academic year if that year is a repeat of a preceding academic year of a designated course that the student was unable to complete for reasons which the Welsh Ministers consider to be compelling.

Transfers

5. Where a student who is entitled to a Welsh Government Learning Grant in connection with a designated course transfers to another designated course comprising a period of full-time study or a period of part-time study during Academic Year 2017/2018, the Welsh Ministers may pay a Welsh Government Learning Grant to that student for the remainder of Academic Year 2017/2018, except that no Welsh Government Learning Grant is payable if—

- (a) the Welsh Ministers are satisfied on reasonable grounds that the new designated course does not involve academic progression for the student as compared to the designated

(1) Work Based Learning Programmes are delivered under sections 31 to 35 of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 (c. 21), section 10 of the Education Act 1996 (c. 56), section 2 of the Employment and Training Act 1973 (c. 50), and sections 60 and 71 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

- course from which the student has transferred;
and
- (b) the student enrolls on the designated course to which they are transferring more than 20 weeks after the start of the previous course.

PART 3

APPLICATIONS AND ENTITLEMENT

Applications

6.—(1) An applicant applies for support by completing and submitting to the Welsh Ministers—

- (a) the learning grant agreement signed by the applicant; and
- (b) if required by the Welsh Ministers, an application in such form as the Welsh Ministers may require.

(2) The learning grant agreement and any application must be accompanied by such documentation as the Welsh Ministers may require and must be submitted by such time as the Welsh Ministers may require.

(3) The Welsh Ministers may take such steps and make such enquiries as they consider necessary to determine whether the applicant is an eligible student, whether the applicant qualifies for support and the amount of support payable, if any.

(4) The Welsh Ministers must notify the applicant of whether or not the applicant qualifies for support and if the applicant does qualify, the amount of support payable in respect of Academic Year 2017/2018, if any.

(5) An applicant may apply for reassessment or the Welsh Ministers may reassess whether the applicant qualifies for support if such of the applicant's circumstances relevant to their application change either before or during Academic Year 2017/2018.

(6) Sub-paragraphs (3) and (4) apply in relation to such reassessment.

Grant entitlement

7.—(1) (Subject to paragraph 8 and 18) an eligible student who qualifies for support in connection with a period of full-time study in accordance with this Scheme is entitled to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant as follows—

- (a) where the household income is £6,120 or less, the student is entitled to receive £1,500;
- (b) where the household income exceeds £6,120 but does not exceed £12,235, the student is entitled to receive £750; and

- (c) where the household income exceeds £12,235 but does not exceed £18,370, the student is entitled to receive £450.

(2) (Subject to paragraph 8 and 18) an eligible student who qualifies for support in connection with a period of part-time study in accordance with this Scheme is entitled to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant as follows—

- (a) where the household income is £6,120 or less, the student is entitled to receive £750;
- (b) where the household income exceeds £6,120 but does not exceed £12,235, the student is entitled to receive £450; and
- (c) where the household income exceeds £12,235 but does not exceed £18,370, the student is entitled to receive £300.

PART 4

PERSONS LEAVING CUSTODY OR DETENTION

Persons leaving custody or detention

8.—(1) This paragraph applies to persons detained following conviction in—

- (a) a prison (within the meaning of the Prison Act 1952⁽¹⁾); or
- (b) a young offender institution (as mentioned in section 43 of that Act),

and released on temporary licence to attend a designated course (any such person being a “detained person” for the purposes of this paragraph).

(2) A detained person may apply for support in accordance with paragraph 6 at any time prior to completing their custodial sentence in Academic Year 2017/2018, but such application will not be considered by the Welsh Ministers until such time as the person has been released from custody.

(3) A detained person who—

- (a) applies for support for Academic Year 2017/2018 prior to completing their sentence in accordance with paragraph 8(2);
- (b) is an eligible student; and
- (c) qualifies for support in connection with a period of full-time study in accordance with this Scheme,

is entitled to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (5)

(1) 1952 c. 52.

and subject at all times to the provisions of paragraph 18.

(4) A detained person who—

- (a) applies for support for Academic Year 2017/2018 prior to completing their sentence in accordance with paragraph 8(2);
- (b) is an eligible student; and
- (c) qualifies for support in connection with a period of part-time study in accordance with this Scheme,

is entitled to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (5) and subject at all times to the provisions of paragraph 18.

(5) The Welsh Ministers must calculate an eligible student's entitlement to a Welsh Government Learning Grant under this paragraph in accordance with the following formula—

$$RE = WGLG \times RDF$$

Where—

“WGLG” (“*GDLIC*”) means—

£1,500 in relation to a detained person falling within sub-paragraph (3); and

£750 in relation to a detained person falling within sub-paragraph (4);

“RDF” (“*FfDRh*”) means—

- (i) 100% where the eligible student completes their custodial sentence in the first term of a designated course which is made up of either one, two or three terms in a single academic year;
- (ii) 60% where the eligible student completes their custodial sentence in the second term of a designated course which is made up of three terms in a single academic year;
- (iii) 50% where the eligible student completes their custodial sentence in the second term of a designated course which is made up of two terms in a single academic year;
- (iv) 30% where the eligible student completes their custodial sentence in the third term of a designated course which is made up of three terms in a single academic year; and

“RE” (“*HA*”) means the recalculated entitlement.

PART 5

FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT

Household income

9.—(1) Household income for the purpose of this Scheme is calculated in accordance with this paragraph and paragraphs 10 to 16.

(2) The household income is—

(a) in the case of a returning eligible student—

- (i) the residual income of the returning eligible student (calculated in accordance with paragraph 11), or
- (ii) the residual income of the returning eligible student's parents (calculated in accordance with paragraph 12 and subject to sub-paragraphs 12(8) and 12(9)) aggregated with the residual income of the partner of the student's parent (calculated in accordance with paragraph 13), provided that the Welsh Ministers have selected that parent under paragraph 12(9),

whichever of the two incomes is the higher;

(b) in the case of a new eligible student—

- (i) the residual income of the new eligible student (calculated in accordance with paragraph 14), or
- (ii) the residual income of the new eligible student's parents (calculated in accordance with paragraph 15 and subject to sub-paragraphs (6) and (7) of paragraph 15), aggregated with the residual income of the partner of the student's parent (calculated in accordance with paragraph 16), provided that the Welsh Ministers have selected that parent under paragraph 15(7),

whichever of the two incomes is the higher;

- (c) in the case of an independent eligible student who has a partner, the residual income of the independent eligible student (calculated in accordance with paragraph 10(1)), or the residual income of the independent eligible student's partner (calculated in accordance with paragraph 10), whichever of the two incomes is the higher;
- (d) in the case of an independent eligible student who does not have a partner, the residual income of the independent eligible student (calculated in accordance with paragraph 10(1)).

Residual income of independent eligible students and their partners

10.—(1) The residual income of an independent eligible student is that student's income from all sources in respect of Academic Year 2017/2018.

(2) The residual income of the partner of a new independent eligible student is determined in accordance with paragraph 15, with the exception of sub-paragraphs (6) to (8) of paragraph 15, references to the new eligible student's parent being construed as the new independent eligible student's partner.

(3) The residual income of the partner of a returning independent eligible student is determined in accordance with paragraph 12, with the exception of sub-paragraphs (8) to (10) of paragraph 12, references to the returning eligible student's parent being construed as the returning independent eligible student's partner.

(4) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the independent eligible student and their partner have separated in the course of Academic Year 2017/18, the partner's income is determined by reference to the partner's income, divided by fifty-two and multiplied by the number of complete weeks in Academic Year 2017/18 in respect of which the Welsh Ministers determine that the independent eligible student and their partner are not separated.

(5) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (4), the partner's income is calculated in accordance with sub-paragraphs (2) and (3), as appropriate.

Residual income of returning eligible students

11.—(1) The residual income of a returning eligible student is that student's taxable income in respect of the 2017 tax year after the application of sub-paragraph (2).

(2) Where the returning eligible student is attending a designated course, there is deducted from their taxable income (unless already deducted in determining taxable income) the gross amount of any premium or other sum paid by the returning eligible student in relation to a pension (not being a premium payable under a policy of life insurance) in respect of which relief is given under section 188 of the Finance Act 2004⁽¹⁾, or where the returning eligible student's income is computed for the purposes of the income tax legislation of another Member State, the gross amount of any such premium or sum in respect of which relief

(1) 2004 c. 12; section 188 was amended by the Finance Act 2007 (c. 11), sections 68, 69, 114 and Schedules 18, 19 and 27; the Finance Act 2013 (c. 29), section 52(1), (2) and (3); and the Finance Act 2014 (c. 26), Schedule 7.

would be given if that legislation made provision equivalent to the Income Tax Acts.

Residual income of parents of returning eligible students

12.—(1) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraphs (4), (8) and (9), the residual income of the parent of a returning eligible student is that parent's taxable income in respect of the 2017 tax year after the application of sub-paragraphs (2), (3), (5), (6), (7) and (10).

(2) For the purposes of determining the taxable income of the parent of a returning eligible student, any deductions which fall to be made or exemptions which are permitted—

- (a) by way of personal reliefs provided for in Chapter 1 of Part VII of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988⁽¹⁾ or, where the income is computed for the purposes of the income tax legislation of another Member State, any comparable personal reliefs;
- (b) pursuant to any enactment or rule of law under which payments which would otherwise under United Kingdom law form part of a person's income are not treated as such,

are not made or permitted.

(3) For the purposes of determining the residual income of the parent of a returning eligible student, there is to be deducted from their taxable income the aggregate of any amounts falling within any of the following paragraphs—

- (a) the gross amount of any premium or sum relating to a pension (not being a premium payable under a policy of life assurance) in respect of which relief is given under section 188 of the Finance Act 2004, or where the income is computed for the purposes of the income tax legislation of another Member State, the gross amount of any such premium or sum in respect of which relief would be given if that legislation made provision equivalent to the Income Tax Acts;
- (b) where sub-paragraph (6) applies, any sums equivalent to the deduction mentioned in sub-paragraph (3)(a), provided that any sums so deducted do not exceed the deductions which would be made if the whole of the parent's income was in fact income for the purposes of the Income Tax Acts.

(1) 1988 c. 1.

(4) Where the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that the residual income of the parent in the 2018 tax year is, as a result of some event beyond the parent's control, likely to be less than the parent's residual income in the 2017 tax year to such an extent that it would affect the student's entitlement if entitlement were to be based on the 2018 tax year they must, for the purpose of enabling the returning eligible student to attend the course without hardship, ascertain the residual income for the 2018 tax year.

(5) Where the parent of the returning eligible student satisfies the Welsh Ministers that their income is wholly or mainly derived from the profits of a business or profession carried on by that parent, then any reference in this paragraph to a tax year means the earliest period of twelve months which ends after the start of the tax year in question, and in respect of which accounts are kept relating to that business or profession.

(6) Where the parent of a returning eligible student is in receipt of any income which does not form part of the parent's taxable income by reason only that—

- (a) the parent is not resident, ordinarily resident or domiciled in the United Kingdom or another Member State;
- (b) the income does not arise in the United Kingdom or another Member State; or
- (c) the income arises from an office, service or employment, income from which is exempt from tax in pursuance of any legislation,

the parent's taxable income for the purposes of this Scheme is computed as though such income were part of the parent's taxable income.

(7) Where the income of the parent of the returning eligible student is computed as for the purposes of the income tax legislation of another Member State, it is computed under the provisions of this Scheme in the currency of that Member State and the income of the student's parent for the purposes of this Scheme is the sterling value of that income determined in accordance with the average rate published by HMRC for 2016⁽¹⁾.

(8) Where one of the returning eligible student's parents dies either before or during Academic Year 2017/18, and that parent's income has been or would be taken into account for the purpose of determining the household income, the household income is—

- (a) where the parent dies before Academic Year 2017/18, determined by reference to the income of the surviving parent; or

(1) <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/exchange-rates-for-customs-and-vat>.

(b) where the parent dies during Academic Year 2017/18, the aggregate of—

- (i) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined by reference to the income of both parents, being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 during which both parents were alive; and
- (ii) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined by reference to the income of the surviving parent, being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 remaining after the death of the other parent.

(9) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the parents of the returning eligible student are separated for the duration of Academic Year 2017/18, the household income is determined by reference to the income of whichever parent the Welsh Ministers consider the more appropriate under the circumstances.

(10) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the parents have separated in the course of Academic Year 2017/18, the household income is determined by reference to—

- (a) the appropriate proportion of household income determined in accordance with sub-paragraph (9), being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 during which the parents have separated; and
- (b) the appropriate proportion of household income determined otherwise in respect of the remainder of Academic Year 2017/18.

Residual income of the partner of a returning eligible student's parent

13.—(1) The residual income of the partner of a returning eligible student's parent, whose residual income is part of the household income by virtue of paragraph 9(2)(a), is determined in accordance with paragraph 12 (other than sub-paragraphs (8) to (10) of paragraph 12), references to the returning eligible student's parent being construed as references to the returning eligible student's parent's partner.

(2) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the returning eligible student's parent and the returning eligible student's parent's partner are separated for the duration of Academic Year 2017/18, the partner's income is not taken into account in determining household income.

(3) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the returning eligible student's parent and the returning eligible student's parent's partner have separated in the course of Academic Year 2017/18, the partner's

income is determined by reference to the partner's income under sub-paragraph (1) divided by fifty-two and multiplied by the number of complete weeks in Academic Year 2017/18 in which the Welsh Ministers determine that the returning eligible student's parent and the returning eligible student's parent's partner are not separated.

(4) Where a returning eligible student's parent has more than one partner in Academic Year 2017/18, the provisions of this paragraph apply in relation to each.

Residual income of new eligible student

14. The residual income of a new eligible student is that student's taxable income for the 2016 tax year.

Residual income of parents of new eligible students

15.—(1) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraphs (2), (6) and (7), the residual income of the parent of a new eligible student is that parent's taxable income in respect of the 2016 tax year after the application of sub-paragraphs (3), (4), and (5).

(2) Where the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that the residual income of the parent in the 2018 tax year is, as a result of some event beyond the parent's control, likely to be less than the parent's residual income in the 2016 tax year to such an extent that it would affect the student's entitlement if entitlement were to be based on the 2018 tax year they must, for the purpose of enabling the new eligible student to attend the course without hardship, ascertain the residual income for the 2018 tax year.

(3) Where the new eligible student's parent satisfies the Welsh Ministers that their income is wholly or mainly derived from the profits of a business or profession carried on by that parent, then any reference in this paragraph to a tax year means the earliest period of twelve months which ends after the start of the tax year in question and in respect of which accounts are kept relating to that business or profession.

(4) Where a new eligible student's parent is in receipt of any income which does not form part of the parent's taxable income by reason only that—

- (a) the parent is not resident, ordinarily resident or domiciled in the United Kingdom or another Member State;
- (b) the income does not arise in the United Kingdom or another Member State; or
- (c) the income arises from an office, service or employment, income from which is exempt from tax in pursuance of any legislation,

the parent's taxable income for the purposes of this Scheme is computed as though such income were part of the parent's taxable income.

(5) Where the income of the new eligible student's parent is computed as for the purposes of the income tax legislation of another Member State, it is computed under the provisions of this Scheme in the currency of that Member State and the income of the new eligible student's parent for the purposes of this Scheme is the sterling value of that income determined in accordance with the average rate published by HMRC for 2015⁽¹⁾.

(6) Where one of the new eligible student's parents dies either before or during Academic Year 2017/18 and that parent's income has been or would be taken into account for the purpose of determining the household income, the household income is—

- (a) where the parent dies before Academic Year 2017/18, determined by reference to the income of the surviving parent; or
- (b) where the parent dies during Academic Year 2017/18, the aggregate of—
 - (i) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined by reference to the income of both parents, being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 during which both parents were alive; and
 - (ii) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined by reference to the income of the surviving parent, being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 remaining after the death of the other parent.

(7) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the parents of the new eligible student are separated for the duration of Academic Year 2017/18, the household income is determined by reference to the income of whichever parent the Welsh Ministers consider the more appropriate under the circumstances.

(8) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the parents have separated in the course of Academic Year 2017/18, the household income is determined by reference to the aggregate of—

- (a) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined in accordance with subparagraph (7), being the proportion in respect of that part of Academic Year 2017/18 during which the parents are separated; and
- (b) the appropriate proportion of the household income determined otherwise in respect of the remainder of Academic Year 2017/18.

(1) <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/exchange-rates-for-customs-and-vat>.

Residual income of the partner of a new eligible student's parent

16.—(1) The residual income of the partner of a new eligible student's parent, whose residual income is part of the household income by virtue of paragraph 9(2)(b), is determined in accordance with paragraph 15, (other than sub-paragraphs (6) to (8) of paragraph 15), references to the new eligible student's parent being construed as references to the new eligible student's parent's partner.

(2) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the new eligible student's parent and the new eligible student's parent's partner are separated for the duration of Academic Year 2017/18, the partner's income is not taken into account in determining household income.

(3) Where the Welsh Ministers determine that the new eligible student's parent and the new eligible student's parent's partner have separated in the course of Academic Year 2017/18, the partner's income is determined by reference to the partner's income under sub-paragraph (1) divided by fifty-two and multiplied by the number of complete weeks in Academic Year 2017/18 in which the Welsh Ministers determine that the new eligible student's parent and the new eligible student's parent's partner are not separated.

(4) Where a new eligible student's parent has more than one partner in Academic Year 2017/18, the provisions of this paragraph apply in relation to each.

PART 6

INDEPENDENT ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

Independent eligible student

17.—(1) For the purpose of this Scheme an applicant is a new independent eligible student if the applicant meets the requirements of paragraph 3(2) (with the exception of paragraph 3(2)(d)) and falls in any one or more of the following cases—

- (a) the applicant is aged 25 or over on the first day of the designated course;
- (b) the applicant is married or is in a civil partnership on the first day of the designated course, whether or not the marriage or civil partnership is still subsisting;
- (c) the applicant has no parent living;
- (d) the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that as at the first day of the designated course neither parent of the applicant can be found or that it is not reasonably practicable to get in touch with either of them;

- (e) the applicant has not communicated with either parent during the period of one year before the first day of the designated course or, in the opinion of the Welsh Ministers, the applicant has demonstrated on other grounds that the applicant is irreconcilably estranged from their parents;
- (f) the applicant was looked after by a local authority within the meaning of section 74 of the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014⁽¹⁾ or as the case may be section 22 of the Children Act 1989⁽²⁾ throughout any three-month period ending on or after the date on which the applicant attained the age of 16 and before the first day of the designated course and has not at any time during the period from their sixteenth birthday been under the charge or control of their parents;
- (g) the applicant's parents reside outside the European Union and the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that either—
 - (i) the assessment of the household income by reference to their residual income would place those parents in jeopardy; or
 - (ii) it would not be reasonably practicable for those parents as a result of a calculation in relation to paragraph 9 to send any relevant funds to the United Kingdom;
- (h) paragraph 12(9) or paragraph 15(7) applies and the parent whom the Welsh Ministers considered the more appropriate for the purposes of those paragraphs has died (irrespective of whether the parent in question had a partner);
- (i) the applicant is a member of a religious order and resides in a house of that order on the first day of the designated course;
- (j) the applicant has care of a person who is under 18 years of age on the first day of the designated course or during Academic Year 2017/2018 acquires care of a person under 18 years of age;
- (k) the applicant ("A" in this sub-paragraph) has supported A out of A's earnings for any period or periods ending before the first day of the designated course of (in aggregate) not less than three years, and for the purposes of this paragraph A is treated as supporting A out of their earnings during any period in which—

(1) 2014 (anaw. 4).

(2) 1989 (c. 41) as amended.

- (i) A was participating in arrangements for training for the unemployed under any scheme operated by, sponsored or funded by any state authority or agency, whether national, regional or local (“a relevant authority”);
- (ii) A was in receipt of benefit payable by any relevant authority in respect of a person who is available for employment but who is unemployed;
- (iii) A was available for employment and had complied with any requirement of registration imposed by a relevant authority as a condition of entitlement for participation in arrangements for training or receipt of benefit;
- (iv) A received any pension, allowance or other benefit paid by any person by reason of a disability, confinement, injury or sickness.

(2) For the purpose of this Scheme, an applicant is a returning independent eligible student if the applicant—

- (a) meets the requirements of paragraph 3(3) (with the exception of paragraph 3(3)(d)); and
- (b) falls in any one or more of the cases in paragraph 17(1)(a) to (k).

(3) For the purpose of this Scheme, an applicant who would otherwise be a returning independent eligible student is treated as a new independent eligible student if the applicant—

- (a) falls in paragraph 17(1)(a); and
- (b) did not fall in any one or more of the cases in paragraph 17(1)(a) to (k) in Academic Year 2014/15.

PART 7

PAYMENTS

Attendance

18.—(1) The Welsh Ministers may recalculate in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) an eligible student’s entitlement to a Welsh Government Learning Grant if the student’s attendance on the designated course in respect of which the student made an application for a Welsh Government Learning Grant is unsatisfactory.

(2) The formula for re-calculation is—

$$\text{RE} = \frac{\text{AA}}{\text{PA}} \times \text{WGLG}$$

Where—

“AA” (“GB”) means the number of days attendance by the student notified to the Welsh Ministers by the institution (or provider) delivering the course, attendance being deemed to include absence through illness of periods not exceeding 60 days in total;

“WGLG” (“GDLIC”) means the entitlement to the Welsh Government Learning Grant in accordance with paragraph 7 or 8 as appropriate;

“PA” (“PP”) means the number of days from the first to last day of required attendance on the course; and

“RE” (“HA”) means the recalculated entitlement.

Payment of Welsh Government Learning Grant

19.—(1) The Welsh Ministers must pay (subject to sub-paragraph (3)) the grant for which an eligible student qualifies under this Scheme (as may be reassessed or recalculated as provided for in this Scheme) in such manner, in such instalments (if any) and at such times as they consider appropriate and in the exercise of their functions under this paragraph, they may make provisional payments pending the final calculation of the amount of the Welsh Government Learning Grant for which the eligible student qualifies.

(2) The Welsh Ministers may make it a condition of entitlement to payment that the eligible student provides them with particulars of a bank or building society account in the United Kingdom into which payments may be made by electronic transfer.

(3) The Welsh Ministers may suspend or withhold payment of the Welsh Government Learning Grant or part of it to student if—

- (a) any information submitted to the Welsh Ministers by or on behalf of the student is incorrect in any material respect; or
- (b) the student becomes bankrupt or suffers any distress, execution, attachment or other process affecting any of the student’s assets; or
- (c) the student at any time in the opinion of the Welsh Ministers shows themselves by their conduct to be unfit to receive a Welsh Government Learning Grant.

Overpayments

20. A person must, if so required by the Welsh Ministers, repay any amount paid to that person under this Scheme which for whatever reason exceeds the amount of the Welsh Government Learning Grant to which that person is entitled under this Scheme.

21. The Welsh Ministers may at any time request from a person information which they consider is required to recover a Welsh Government Learning Grant from that person.

22. Where the Welsh Ministers have requested information under paragraph 21, they may withhold any payment of the Welsh Government Learning Grant until the person provides the information requested or provides a satisfactory explanation for not complying with the request.

Name

Minister for Lifelong Learning and Welsh Language,
one of the Welsh Ministers

Date

SCHEDULE

Paragraph 3

Eligible Students

PART 1

Interpretation

1.—(1) For the purposes of this Schedule—

“Directive 2004/38” (“*Cyfarwydddeb 2004/38*”) means Directive 2004/38/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004⁽¹⁾ on the rights of citizens of the Union and their family members to move and reside freely within the territory of the Member States;

“EEA Agreement” (“*Cytundeb yr AEE*”) means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2 May 1992⁽²⁾, as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17 March 1993⁽³⁾;

“EEA frontier self-employed person” (“*person hunangyflogedig trawsffiniol AEE*”) means an EEA national who—

- (a) is a self-employed person in Wales; and
- (b) resides in Switzerland or the territory of an EEA State other than the United Kingdom and returns to their residence in Switzerland or that EEA State, as the case may be, daily or at least once a week;

“EEA frontier worker” (“*gweithiwr trawsffiniol AEE*”) means an EEA national who—

- (a) is a worker in Wales; and
- (b) resides in Switzerland or the territory of an EEA State other than the United Kingdom and returns to their residence in Switzerland or that EEA State, as the case may be, daily or at least once a week;

“EEA migrant worker” (“*gweithiwr mudol AEE*”) means an EEA national who is a worker, other than an EEA frontier worker, in the United Kingdom;

“EEA national” (“*gwladolyn AEE*”) means a national of an EEA State other than the United Kingdom;

“EEA self-employed person” (“*person hunangyflogedig AEE*”) means an EEA national who is a self-employed person, other than an EEA

(1) OJ L158, 30.04.2004, pp. 77-123.

(2) Cm 2073.

(3) Cm 2183.

frontier self-employed person, in the United Kingdom;

“EEA State” (“*Gwladwriaeth AEE*”) means a member state of the European Economic Area;

“employed person” (“*person cyflogedig*”) means an employed person within the meaning of Annex 1 to the Swiss Agreement;

“European Economic Area” (“*Ardal Economaidd Ewropeaidd*”) means the area comprised by the EEA States;

“EU national” (“*gwladolyn UE*”) means a national of a Member State of the European Union;

“family member” (“*aelod o deulu*”) means (unless otherwise indicated)—

- (a) in relation to an EEA frontier worker, an EEA migrant worker, an EEA frontier self-employed person or an EEA self-employed person—
 - (i) that person’s spouse or civil partner;
 - (ii) direct descendants of the person or of the person’s spouse or civil partner who are—
 - (aa) under the age of 21; or
 - (bb) dependents of the person or the person’s spouse or civil partner; or
 - (iii) a dependent direct relative in that person’s ascending line or the ascending line of that person’s spouse or civil partner;
- (b) in relation to a Swiss employed person, a Swiss frontier employed person, a Swiss frontier self-employed person or a Swiss self-employed person—
 - (i) that person’s spouse or civil partner; or
 - (ii) that person’s child or the child of that person’s spouse or civil partner;
- (c) in relation to an EU national who falls within Article 7(1)(c) of Directive 2004/38—
 - (i) the national’s spouse or civil partner; or
 - (ii) direct descendants of the national or the national’s spouse or civil partner who are—
 - (aa) under the age of 21; or
 - (bb) dependants of the national or the national’s spouse or civil partner;
- (d) in relation to an EU national who falls within Article 7(1)(b) of Directive 2004/38—
 - (i) the national’s spouse or civil partner;

(ii) direct descendants of the national or the national's spouse or civil partner who are—

(aa) under the age of 21; or

(bb) dependants of the national or the national's spouse or civil partner; or

(iii) a dependent direct relative in the national's ascending line or the ascending line of the national's spouse or civil partner;

“Islands” (*Ynysoedd*) means the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man;

“person with leave to enter or remain” (*person sydd â chaniatâd i ddod i mewn neu i aros*) means a person (“P” in this definition)—

(a) who—

(i) has applied for refugee status but has as a result of that application been informed in writing by a person acting under the authority of the Secretary of State for the Home Department that, although P is considered not to qualify for recognition as a refugee it is thought right to allow P to enter or remain in the United Kingdom on the grounds of humanitarian protection or discretionary leave⁽¹⁾; or

(ii) has not applied for refugee status but has been informed in writing by a person acting under the authority of the Secretary of State for the Home Department that it is thought right to allow P to enter or remain in the United Kingdom on the grounds of discretionary leave;

(b) who has been granted leave to enter or to remain accordingly;

(c) whose period of leave to enter or remain has not expired or has been renewed and the period for which it was renewed has not expired or in respect of whose leave to enter or remain an appeal is pending (within the meaning of section 104 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002⁽²⁾); and

(d) who has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the period since being granted leave to enter or remain;

“refugee” (*ffoadur*) means a person who is recognised by Her Majesty's Government as a

(1) Discretionary leave may be granted by the Secretary of State under section 3(1)(b) of the Immigration Act 1971.

(2) 2002 c. 41.

refugee within the meaning of the United Nations Convention relating to the Status of Refugees done at Geneva on 28 July 1951 as extended by the Protocol thereto which entered into force on 4 October 1967;

“self-employed person” (*“person hunangyflogedig”*) means—

- (a) in relation to an EEA national, a person who is self-employed within the meaning of Article 7 of Directive 2004/38 or the EEA Agreement, as the case may be; or
- (b) in relation to a Swiss national, a person who is a self-employed person within the meaning of Annex 1 to the Swiss Agreement;

“settled” (*“wedi setlo”*) has the meaning given by section 33(2A) of the Immigration Act 1971⁽¹⁾;

“Swiss Agreement” (*“Cytundeb y Swistir”*) means the Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Swiss Confederation of the other, on the Free Movement of Persons signed at Luxembourg on 21 June 1999⁽²⁾ and which came into force on 1 June 2002;

“Swiss employed person” (*“person cyflogedig Swisaidd”*) means a Swiss national who is an employed person, other than a Swiss frontier employed person, in the United Kingdom;

“Swiss frontier employed person” (*“person cyflogedig trawsffiniol Swisaidd”*) means a Swiss national who—

- (a) is an employed person in Wales; and
- (b) resides in Switzerland or in the territory of an EEA State other than the United Kingdom and returns to their residence in Switzerland or that EEA State, as the case may be, daily or at least once a week;

“Swiss frontier self-employed person” (*“person hunangyflogedig trawsffiniol Swisaidd”*) means a Swiss national who—

- (a) is a self-employed person in Wales; and
- (b) resides in Switzerland or in the territory of an EEA State, other than the United Kingdom, and returns to their residence in Switzerland or that EEA State, as the case may be, daily or at least once a week;

“Swiss self-employed person” (*“person hunangyflogedig Swisaidd”*) means a Swiss national who is a self-employed person, other than

(1) 1971 c. 77. Sub-section (2A) was inserted by paragraph 7 of Schedule 4 to the British Nationality Act 1981 (c. 61).

(2) Cm. 4904.

a Swiss frontier self-employed person, in the United Kingdom;

“worker” (“*gweithiwr*”) means a worker within the meaning of Article 7 of Directive 2004/38 or the EEA Agreement, as the case may be.

(2) For the purposes of this Schedule, “parent” (“*rhiant*”) includes a guardian, any other person having parental responsibility for a child and any person having care of a child and “child” (“*plentyn*”) is to be construed accordingly.

(3) For the purposes of this Schedule, a person who is ordinarily resident in Wales, England, Scotland, Northern Ireland or the Islands, as a result of having moved from another of those areas for the purpose of undertaking—

- (a) the present course; or
- (b) a course which, disregarding any intervening vacation, the person undertook immediately before undertaking the present course,

is to be considered to be ordinarily resident in the place from which he or she moved.

(4) For the purposes of this Schedule, a person (“P” in this sub-paragraph) is to be treated as ordinarily resident in Wales, the United Kingdom and Islands or in the territory comprising the European Economic Area, Switzerland and Turkey if P would have been so resident but for the fact that—

- (a) P;
- (b) P’s spouse or civil partner;
- (c) P’s parent; or
- (d) in the case of a dependent direct relative in the ascending line, P’s child or child’s spouse or civil partner,

is or was temporarily employed outside Wales, the United Kingdom and Islands or, as the case may be, outside the territory comprising the European Economic Area, Switzerland and Turkey.

(5) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (4), temporary employment outside Wales, the United Kingdom and Islands or the territory comprising the European Economic Area, Switzerland and Turkey includes—

- (a) in the case of members of the regular naval, military or air forces of the Crown, any period which they serve outside the United Kingdom as members of such forces; and
- (b) in the case of members of the regular armed forces of an EEA State or Switzerland, any period which they serve outside the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland as members of such forces; and
- (c) in the case of members of the regular armed forces of Turkey, any period which they serve

outside of the territory comprising the European Economic Area, Switzerland and Turkey as members of such forces.

(6) For the purposes of this Schedule an area which—

- (a) was previously not part of the European Union or the European Economic Area; but
- (b) at any time before or after this Scheme comes into force has become part of one or other or both of these areas,

is to be considered to have always been part of the European Economic Area.

PART 2

Categories

Persons who are settled in the United Kingdom

2.—(1) A person who on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course—

- (a) is settled in the United Kingdom other than by reason of having acquired the right of permanent residence;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Wales;
- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (d) subject to sub-paragraph (2), whose residence in the United Kingdom and Islands has not during any part of the period referred to in paragraph (c) been wholly or mainly for the purpose of receiving full-time education.

(2) Paragraph (d) of sub-paragraph (1) does not apply to a person who is treated as being ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands in accordance with paragraph 1(4).

3. A person who—

- (a) is settled in the United Kingdom by virtue of having acquired the right of permanent residence;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course;
- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (d) in a case where their residence referred to in sub-paragraph (c) was wholly or mainly for

the purpose of receiving full-time education, was ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland immediately before the period of ordinary residence referred to in subparagraph (c).

Refugees and their family members

4.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is a refugee;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being recognised as a refugee; and
- (c) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

(2) A person who—

- (a) is the spouse or civil partner of a refugee;
- (b) was the spouse or civil partner of the refugee on the date on which the refugee applied for asylum;
- (c) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being given leave to remain in the United Kingdom; and
- (d) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

(3) A person who—

- (a) is the child of a refugee or the child of the spouse or civil partner of a refugee;
- (b) on the date on which the refugee applied for asylum, was the child of the refugee or the child of a person who was the spouse or civil partner of the refugee on that date;
- (c) was under 18 on the date on which the refugee applied for asylum;
- (d) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being given leave to remain in the United Kingdom; and
- (e) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

Persons with leave to enter or remain and their family members

5.—(1) A person with leave to enter or remain who—

- (a) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being granted leave to enter or remain; and
 - (b) who is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.
- (2) A person—
- (a) who is the spouse or civil partner of a person with leave to enter or remain;
 - (b) who was the spouse or civil partner of the person with leave to enter or remain on the date on which that person made—
 - (i) the application for asylum; or
 - (ii) the application for discretionary leave, where no application for asylum was made;
 - (c) who is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being granted leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom; and
 - (d) who is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.
- (3) A person who—
- (a) is the child of a person with leave to enter or remain or the child of the spouse or civil partner of a person with leave to enter or remain;
 - (b) on the date on which the person with leave to enter or remain made—
 - (i) the application for asylum; or
 - (ii) the application for discretionary leave, where no application for asylum was made,
 was the child of that person or the child of a person who as the spouse or civil partner of the person with leave to enter or remain on that date;
 - (c) was under 18 on the date on which the person with leave to enter or remain made—
 - (i) the application for asylum; or
 - (ii) the application for discretionary leave, where no application for asylum was made;
 - (d) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands and has not ceased to be so resident since being given leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom; and

- (e) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

Syrian nationals and their family members

6.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is a Syrian national who—
 - (i) has been granted leave to enter the United Kingdom on the grounds of humanitarian protection under the Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Programme operated under the authority of the Secretary of State for the Home Department;
 - (ii) has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands at all times since being granted such leave to enter the United Kingdom; and
 - (iii) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; or
- (b) is the spouse, civil partner or child of a person of the kind described in paragraph (a) and who is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

Workers, employed persons, self-employed persons and their family members

7.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is—
 - (i) an EEA migrant worker or an EEA self-employed person;
 - (ii) a Swiss employed person or a Swiss self-employed person;
 - (iii) a family member of a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii);
 - (iv) an EEA frontier worker or an EEA frontier self-employed person;
 - (v) a Swiss frontier employed person or a Swiss frontier self-employed person; or
 - (vi) a family member of a person mentioned in sub-paragraph (iv) or (v);
- (b) subject to sub-paragraph (2), is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

(2) Paragraph (b) of sub-paragraph (1) does not apply where the person applying for support falls within paragraph (a)(iv), (v) or (vi) of sub-paragraph (1).

8. A person who—

- (a) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course;
- (b) has been ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (c) is entitled to support by virtue of Article 10 of Council Regulation (EU) No 492/2011 on the freedom of movement of workers⁽¹⁾

Persons who are settled in the United Kingdom and have exercised a right of residence elsewhere

9.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is settled in the United Kingdom;
- (b) was ordinarily resident in Wales and settled in the United Kingdom immediately before leaving the United Kingdom and who has exercised a right of residence;
- (c) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom on the day on which the first term of the first academic year of the designated course actually begins;
- (d) has been ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (e) in a case where the ordinary residence referred to in paragraph (d) was wholly or mainly for the purposes of receiving full time education, was ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland immediately before the period of ordinary residence referred to in paragraph (d).

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph, a person has exercised a right of residence if—

- (a) that person is a United Kingdom national, a family member of a United Kingdom national for the purposes of Article 7 of Directive 2004/38 (or corresponding purposes under the EEA Agreement or Swiss Agreement) or a

(1) OJ No L141, 27.05.2011, p.1.

person who has a right of permanent residence who in each case has exercised a right under Article 7 of Directive 2004/38 or any equivalent right under the EEA Agreement or Swiss Agreement in a state other than the United Kingdom; or

- (b) in the case of a person who is settled in the United Kingdom and has a right of permanent residence, if that person goes to the state within the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland of which they are a national or of which the person in relation to whom that person is a family member is a national.

EU Nationals

10.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is an EU national other than a United Kingdom national on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course;
- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands throughout the three-year period immediately preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (d) in a case where the ordinary residence referred to in paragraph (c) was wholly or mainly for the purpose of receiving full-time education, was ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland immediately before the period of ordinary residence referred to in paragraph (c).

(2) Where a state accedes to the European Union after the first day of the first academic year of the course and a person is a national of that state, the requirement in paragraph (a) of sub-paragraph (1) to be an EU national other than a United Kingdom national on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course is treated as being satisfied.

Children of Swiss nationals

11. A person who—

- (a) is the child of a Swiss national who is entitled to support in the United Kingdom by virtue of Article 3(6) of Annex 1 to the Swiss Agreement;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course;

- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (d) in a case where the ordinary residence referred to in sub-paragraph (c) was wholly or mainly for the purpose of receiving full-time education, was ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area and Switzerland immediately prior to the period of ordinary residence referred to in sub-paragraph (c).

Children of Turkish workers

12.—(1) A person who—

- (a) is the child of a Turkish worker;
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Wales on the first day of the first academic year of the designated course; and
- (c) has been ordinarily resident in the territory comprising the European Economic Area, Switzerland and Turkey throughout the three-year period preceding the first day of the first academic year of the designated course.

(2) In this paragraph “Turkish worker” (“*gweithiwr Twrcaid*”) means a Turkish national who—

- (a) is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom and Islands; and
- (b) is, or has been, lawfully employed in the United Kingdom.