1959 No. 394

The Further Education (Grant) Regulations, 1959

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The Minister of Education in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 100 of the Education Act, 1944(a), hereby makes the following regulations—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Further Education (Grant) Regulations, 1959, and shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1959.

2. These regulations make provision for payment by the Minister of grant in respect of facilities for further education provided by bodies other than local education authorities, and prescribe requirements and conditions relating to grant.

3.—(1) In these regulations—

"adult" means a person of eighteen years of age and over;

"course of adult education" has the meaning given to it by regulation 19;

"educational year" means the year beginning on 1st August;

"establishment" has the meaning given to it by regulation 18;

"further education" has the same meaning as in the Education Act, 1944;

"Minister" means the Minister of Education;

"university" includes a university college.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

4.—(1) In determining whether to pay grant under these regulations to any body and the amount of grant, the Minister will, subject to regulation 20, take into account the constitution, general standing and financial circumstances of the body, the character, efficiency, number and cost of the facilities for further education to be provided, and any other relevant considerations.

(2) Grant will be paid on condition that the requirements and conditions contained in or imposed under these regulations are, so far as they are applicable, complied with by the body receiving grant; and if in the opinion of the Minister any such requirement or condition is not complied with he may withhold, or make a deduction from, grant.

General requirements

5. An establishment shall be conducted with efficiency, and the instruction given, in establishments and in courses of adult education, shall be efficient.

6. A person shall not be refused admission to or excluded from any establishment, or course of adult education, on other than reasonable grounds.

(a) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 31. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

7. Courses of instruction in religious subjects distinctive of any particular religious denomination shall not be included as part of the general programme of full-time instruction provided at an establishment, nor in any programme of courses of adult education.

Premises and Equipment of Establishments

8. The premises of an establishment shall be suitable and adequately equipped for their purposes, hygienic, well lighted, heated and ventilated, maintained in good repair, and provided with adequate safeguards against danger from fire and accident.

9. Before new premises are provided for an establishment or alterations are made to existing premises, the approval of the Minister shall be obtained, which approval may be given either generally or in a particular case.

Inspection and Information

10. Every establishment and course of adult education shall be open to inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectors or some other person appointed for the purpose by the Minister.

11. A body requesting or receiving grant under these regulations shall supply the Minister with such estimates and other information, including copies of its accounts duly certified and audited, as he shall require.

Teachers

12. Teachers shall be employed sufficient in number and having the qualifications necessary for the adequate instruction of the students taking the courses of further education provided.

13.—(1) A teacher, not being an occasional teacher or one employed for not more than a year for part-time teaching, shall be employed under a written agreement.

(2) The agreement shall define the conditions of service and indicate whether the teacher is employed in full-time service in the capacity of a teacher, or in part-time service in the capacity of a teacher, or partly in the capacity of a teacher and partly in another capacity.

14. If a teacher's engagement is terminated, whether by dismissal or resignation, on account of misconduct, grave professional default or conviction of a criminal offence, the facts shall be reported to the Minister.

15.—(1) A person who, on grounds of misconduct or grave professional default, has been determined by the Minister (or previously by the Board of Education) to be unsuitable for employment as a teacher shall not be employed as such in the provision of any facilities for further education, or, if he has been determined to be suitable for employment to a limited extent only, shall be employed only to that extent.

(2) Before making any such determination the Minister shall use every available means of informing a teacher of the charges against him and of giving him an opportunity for explanation.

Further Requirements relating to Establishments

16. The Minister may, in relation to any establishment, require—

(*a*) that courses of instruction shall not be given therein without his approval of the courses;

(*b*) that arrangements for the charging of fees, and for total or partial remission of fees, shall be such as he shall approve.

17. The Minister may impose any or all of the following additional requirements on paying capital grant in respect of an establishment—

(*a*) he may require compliance with such conditions as he may specify in order to secure the continuity of the establishment;

(*b*) he may require that an assessor appointed by the Minister shall attend the meetings of the body maintaining the establishment, with power to require that any matter coming before that body be referred to the Minister before action is taken thereon;

(*c*) he may require that the books and other documents relating to the accounts of the establishment shall be open to inspection by persons appointed for the purpose by the Minister and Comptroller and Auditor General;

(*d*) he may require that, in the event of the discontinuance of the establishment or of the use of any premises, plant or equipment provided wholly or mainly out of capital grant paid under these regulations, no interest in such premises, plant or equipment shall be disposed of except as the Minister shall approve;

(*e*) he may require an undertaking to repay any portion of capital grant paid under these regulations in the event of the establishment ceasing to be carried on as an establishment in accordance with the requirements of these regulations.

Grant to Establishments

18.—(1) The Minister may pay—

(*a*) capital grant in respect of expenditure on the acquisition of any interest in land or buildings or the provision of buildings, furniture or equipment for the purpose of an establishment within the meaning of this regulation; and

(*b*) maintenance grant in respect of the maintenance of such an establishment

of an amount to be determined by him.

(2) The establishments referred to are—

(*a*) a college of a national character, the principal purpose of which is to provide advanced technical education for persons in any particular industry or group of industries;

(*b*) any other institution the principal purpose of which is to provide facilities for further education, not being an institution providing only liberal education for adults;

(*c*) a residential college, that is to say a college for adult education, not being a university college or college in a university, the principal purpose of which is to provide full-time instruction in subjects of liberal education for adults resident at the college.

Courses of Adult Education

19.—(1) The Minister may pay grant to a body responsible for the provision of liberal education for adults, in this regulation referred to as a "responsible body", in respect of courses provided by it in accordance with this regulation, and every such course is referred to in these regulations as a "course of adult education".

(2) The responsible body shall be either a university (which may act through a committee, or a joint committee containing representatives of other bodies), a national association (including the district committee of a national association) having as one of its principal objects the promotion of liberal education for adults, or a joint body approved by the Minister and consisting of representatives of universities, national associations as aforesaid, and local education authorities.

(3) The responsible body shall, after consulting the authorities and other bodies providing further education in the area, submit for the approval of the Minister, by such date in each year and in such form as he shall require, a programme of the courses proposed for the ensuing educational year with an estimate of their cost.

(4) The courses shall be in subjects appropriate to the liberal education of adults, and of one or more of the following kinds—

(*a*) tutorial classes, comprising courses provided by a university lasting, unless the Minister otherwise approves, for a period of three educational years, and comprising in each session not less than twenty-four meetings of at least two hours duration;

(*b*) sessional courses, that is courses lasting for one educational year and comprising not less than twenty meetings of at least one-and-a-half hours duration;

(*c*) terminal courses, that is courses comprising not less than ten meetings of at least one-and-a-half hours duration;

(*d*) other courses, comprising meetings other than the above;

(*e*) training courses, that is courses for the training of teachers and lecturers in adult education;

(*f*) residential courses, that is courses involving a period of residence, whether in vacation or at other times.

(5) Full-time lecturers or tutor-organisers shall not be appointed for the purpose of the programme submitted without the approval of the Minister, who will have regard to the desirability of employing a due proportion of part-time tutors.

20.—(1) Grant under the preceding regulation shall be in respect of the teaching costs incurred in providing the courses contained in the programme approved by the Minister, and shall be of such amount as he shall determine.

(2) In determining the amount of grant the Minister will take into account the general standard of the courses included in the programme (having regard to the syllabuses, quality of teaching, length of courses and arrangements for written work, reading under guidance and other forms of private study to be done between meetings), the needs of the area, the activities of other bodies providing further education in the area, and the fees paid by students.

National Associations

21. The Minister may pay grant of such an amount and under such conditions as he may determine towards the general expenditure incurred by any national association having as one of its principal objects the promotion of liberal education for adults.

Revocation

22. The Further Education Grant Regulations, 1946(a), the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 1, 1946(b), the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 2, 1948(c), the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 3, 1950(d), and the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 4, 1955(e) are hereby revoked.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Education this 10th day of March, 1959.

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Geoffrey Lloyd,
Minister of Education.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These regulations revoke the existing regulations relating to grant to institutions providing further education, and replace them by shorter and simpler provisions applicable to bodies other than local education authorities. (Provision is made in regard to the latter by the Further Education (Local Education Authorities) Regulations, 1959 (S.I. 1959/393)). The only change of any substantial importance is the omission of the regulation requiring the Minister's approval for arrangements governing the admission of students and tests of progress.

1959 No. 410

The Milk and Meals Grant Regulations, 1959

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The Minister of Education, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 100 of the Education Act, 1944(f), as amended by paragraph 16 of the Eighth Schedule to the Local Government Act, 1958(g), hereby makes the following regulations :—

Short Title and Commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Milk and Meals Grant Regulations, 1959, and shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1959.

(a) S.R. & O. 1946/352 (Rev. VI, p. 508: 1946 I, p. 384).
(b) S.R. & O. 1946/1067 (Rev. VI, p. 516: 1946 I, p. 391).
(c) S.I. 1948/847 (Rev. VI, p. 517: 1948 I, p. 713).
(d) S.I. 1950/142 (1950 I, p. 557).
(e) S.I. 1955/1137 (1955 I, p. 711).
(f) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 31.
(g) 6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 55.