SCHOLARSHIPS, BENEFITS, ETC.

1953 No. 1805

The Handicapped Pupils (Certificate) Regulations, 1953

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Laid before Parliament	*9th December,* 1953
Coming into Operation	*16th December,* 1953

The Minister of Education in pursuance of the powers conferred on her by subsection (5) of Section 34 of the Education Act, 1944(a), hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Handicapped Pupils (Certificate) Regulations, 1953, and shall come into operation on the 16th day of December, 1953.

(2) The Handicapped Pupils (Certificate) Regulations, 1945(b), are hereby revoked.

2. The certificate to be issued to the Local Education Authority and to the parent under the said Section 34 (5) in respect of a child submitted for medical examination shall be in the form set out in the Schedule hereto.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Education this 8th day of December, 1953.

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Florence Horsbrugh,
Minister of Education.

Form 1 H.P.

SCHEDULE

CERTIFICATE PRESCRIBED BY THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 34 (5) OF THE EDUCATION ACT, 1944

Name, date of birth, and address of child submitted for medical examination under Section 34 of the Education Act, 1944:—

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Having examined the above-mentioned child in pursuance of Section 34 of the Education Act, 1944, I hereby certify that he/she is suffering from a disability of mind/body of the following nature and extent:—

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In my opinion the nature and extent of the child's disability is such as to cause the child to fall within the following category/categories of pupils requiring special educational treatment as prescribed by the School Health Service and Handicapped Pupils Regulations, 1953:—

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Signed.....
Medical Officer of the
Local Education Authority.

Dated.....

NOTE:—The categories of handicapped pupils prescribed by the above-mentioned Regulations are given below.

(a) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 31. (b) S.R. & O. 1945/1302; Rev. VI, p. 367; 1945 I, p. 330.

CATEGORIES OF HANDICAPPED PUPILS

The several categories of pupils requiring special educational treatment are defined as follows:—

(*a*) Blind Pupils, that is to say, pupils who have no sight or whose sight is or is likely to become so defective that they require education by methods not involving the use of sight.

(*b*) Partially Sighted Pupils, that is to say, pupils who by reason of defective vision cannot follow the normal regime of ordinary schools without detriment to their sight or to their educational development, but can be educated by special methods involving the use of sight.

(*c*) Deaf Pupils, that is to say, pupils who have no hearing or whose hearing is so defective that they require education by methods used for deaf pupils without naturally acquired speech or language.

(*d*) Partially Deaf Pupils, that is to say, pupils who have some naturally acquired speech and language but whose hearing is so defective that they require for their education special arrangements or facilities though not necessarily all the educational methods used for deaf pupils.

(*e*) Educationally Sub-Normal Pupils, that is to say, pupils who, by reason of limited ability or other conditions resulting in educational retardation, require some specialised form of education wholly or partly in substitution for the education normally given in ordinary schools.

(*f*) Epileptic Pupils, that is to say, pupils who by reason of epilepsy cannot be educated under the normal regime of ordinary schools without detriment to themselves or other pupils.

(*g*) Maladjusted Pupils, that is to say, pupils who show evidence of emotional instability or psychological disturbance and require special educational treatment in order to effect their personal, social or educational readjustment.

(*h*) Physically Handicapped Pupils, that is to say, pupils not suffering solely from a defect of sight or hearing who by reason of disease or crippling defect cannot, without detriment to their health or educational development, be satisfactorily educated under the normal regime of ordinary schools.

(*i*) Pupils suffering from Speech Defect, that is to say, pupils who on account of defect or lack of speech not due to deafness require special educational treatment.

(*j*) Delicate Pupils, that is to say, pupils not falling under any other category in this Regulation, who by reason of impaired physical condition need a change of environment or cannot, without risk to their health or educational development, be educated under the normal regime of ordinary schools.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations replace the Handicapped Pupils (Certificate) Regulations, 1945, (S.R. & O. 1945/1302). The only change is to bring the list of categories recited in the prescribed form of certificate into line with the changes introduced by Regulation 14 of the School Health Service and Handicapped Pupils Regulations, 1953 (S.I. 1953/1156).