STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1969 No. 105

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES
The Rate Support Grant (Amendment) Regulations 1969

Made - - -	*30th January* 1969
Laid before Parliament	*6th February* 1969
Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1969

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under section 5(1)(*a*) of the Local Government Act 1966(**a**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Title and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Rate Support Grant (Amendment) Regulations 1969 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1969.

Interpretation

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

(2) In these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Rate Support Grant Regulations 1967(**c**).

Amendment of the schedule to the principal regulations

3. For paragraphs 1 and 2 of the schedule to the principal regulations (which provides for calculating the numbers of education units for an area) there shall be substituted the following paragraphs :—

"SCHEDULE

EDUCATION UNITS

1. For the purpose of calculating the numbers of education units for an area for any year, each of the persons and items referred to in column (1) of the following table shall constitute the number of education units specified in relation thereto in column (2).

(1)	(2)
(*a*) Primary and nursery school pupil	1.00
(*b*) Secondary and special school pupil—	
under 16 years of age	1.90
16 years of age and over	3.05
(*c*) Further education establishment student	2.88
(*d*) University or other student award	3.32
(*e*) 1,000 main mid-day meals for day pupils provided in any year in maintained schools	0.94
(f) Training centre child under 16 years of age ..	1.90

(a) 1966 c. 42.
(b) 1889 c. 63.
(c) S.I. 1967/363 (1967 I, p. 1235).

2.—(1) The provisions of this paragraph shall have effect for the purpose of estimating for an area the number of pupils and children under heads (*a*), (*b*) and (*f*) of the foregoing table.

(2) Regard shall be had to—

(*a*) pupils on the registers of any school which is maintained or assisted by the local education authority for the area;

(*b*) pupils at any other school, the fees for whose education are paid by that authority;

(*c*) children receiving education otherwise than at school, under arrangements made under section 56 of the Education Act 1944(a); and

(*d*) children in attendance at any centre provided by or under arrangements made by the local health authority for the area under section 12 of the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968(b) (which relates to the prevention of illness, care and after-care) for the occupation or training of persons who are or have been suffering from mental disorder within the meaning of the Mental Health Act 1959(c) or for the prevention of such mental disorder.

(3) Pupils or children—

(*a*) who fall within paragraph (2)(*a*) above, where proposals with respect to the school have been approved by the Secretary of State under section 1 of the Education Act 1964(d) (which relates to new schools with special age-limits); or

(*b*) who fall within paragraph (2)(*b*) or (*c*) above,

shall be treated as primary school pupils if under 12 years of age and as secondary school pupils if 12 years of age or over.

(4) The number of pupils at schools recognised as direct grant grammar schools by the Secretary of State for the purposes of any regulations made by him for the payment of grant to such schools, the fees for whose education are paid by the local education authority for the area, shall be taken as 70 per cent. of the full number."

Transitional provision

4. Nothing in regulation 3 of these regulations shall affect any calculation required to be made in connection with the payment of rate support grants for the years 1967-68 and 1968-69.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government on 30th January 1969.

(L.S.)

Anthony Greenwood,

Minister of Housing and Local Government.

(a) 1944 c. 31.
(b) 1968 c. 46.
(c) 1959 c. 72.
(d) 1964 c. 82.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

The Rate Support Grant Regulations 1967 provide for the carrying into effect of sections 1 to 4 of the Local Government Act 1966 (under which rate support grants are paid to local authorities). They determine *inter alia* the method of calculating the number of education units for any area, for the purpose of assessing the amounts payable to individual authorities in respect of the needs element of rate support grants. These Regulations amend that method of calculation for the years from 1969-70 onwards.

The principal amendment is a new table specifying the number of education units to be constituted by each of the persons and items indicated (e.g. school pupils and university awards). Other amendments include provision, for the first time, for dividing by age pupils at schools approved by the Secretary of State for Education and Science under section 1 of the Education Act 1964 (middle schools) and at independent schools; and the proportion of direct grant grammar school pupils to be taken into account is increased from 60 per cent. to 70 per cent.