

Australian Capital Territory

Education Amendment Regulation 2020 (No 1)

Subordinate law SL2020–29

The Australian Capital Territory Executive makes the following regulation under the *Education Act 2004*

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

On 9 December 2019 amendments to the Education Amendment Act 2019 were notified. These amendments related to changes to home education registration requirements and processes. The amendments became effective on 9 June 2020.

S. 134 of the *Education Act 2004* (the Act) states that the ‘registration of a child for home education is for the period (not longer than 2 years) stated in the certificate of registration’.

Section 8 of the Regulations explains how parents seeking registration or renewal of registration must present evidence of their compliance with the conditions of registration outlined in the *Education Act 2004*.

Due to the emergency health measures in place in the ACT from COVID-19 the planned establishment and consultation with the Home Education Advisory Group was unable to be undertaken during early 2020. To minimise the impact on parents it is recommended to defer commencement of section 8 of the regulations until 1 February 2021.

In response to delaying the commencement of S. 8 of the Regulations, the Directorate will work individually with the parents (who have and will apply for home education registration during the latter part of 2020 and early 2021) to assist them to understand the new requirements.