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COMPULSORY EDUCATION ACT  
(CHAPTER 51)

COMPULSORY EDUCATION  
(EXEMPTION) (AMENDMENT)  
ORDER 2010

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4(1) of the Compulsory Education Act, the Minister for Education hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Compulsory Education (Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2010 and shall come into operation on 1st October 2010.

**Amendment of paragraph 2**

2. Paragraph 2 of the Compulsory Education (Exemption) Order (O 1) is amended by inserting, immediately after the definition of “home-schooling”, the following definition:

“ “home visit” means a visit conducted by the Director-General, to any place where the child receives or will receive home-schooling (as the case may be), for the purposes of inspecting and assessing the home-schooling arrangements;”.

**Amendment of paragraph 3**

3. Paragraph 3 of the Compulsory Education (Exemption) Order is amended —

(a) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(b) any child who receives home-schooling, subject to the following terms and conditions:

(i) a parent of the child has notified the Director-General, in such form and manner as the Director-General may require, of the

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- arrangements for and the curriculum to be used for home-schooling the child;
- (ii) the Director-General is satisfied that the home-schooling arrangements for the child are appropriate and adequate, and he has approved the home-schooling curriculum submitted by a parent of the child;
  - (iii) a parent of the child has signed an undertaking, in such form as the Director-General may determine, that the child will sit for —
    - (A) an assessment (however styled) of the effectiveness of the home-schooling at such time, before the child attains the age of 11 years, as the Director-General may determine; and
    - (B) the Primary School Leaving Examination, and the National Education Quiz when the child is above the age of 11 years and before he attains the age of 15 years;
  - (iv) each parent who provides any home-schooling to the child possesses such qualifications as the Director-General may require;
  - (v) the parents of the child do not refuse or obstruct any home visit, which may be of such number and conducted at such times as the Director-General may determine;
  - (vi) the Director-General is at all times satisfied that the child will perform at such level of educational achievement as the Director-General may determine for the Primary School Leaving Examination and the National Education Quiz; and
  - (vii) the child performs, at the Primary School Leaving Examination and the National Education Quiz, at such level of educational

achievement as the Director-General may determine before the child attains the age of 15 years.”; and

- (b) by renumbering the paragraph as sub-paragraph (1) of that paragraph, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraphs:

“(2) A reference in sub-paragraph (1)(b)(ii) to a home-schooling curriculum approved by the Director-General includes a home-schooling curriculum approved by him under paragraph 3(b)(i) in force immediately before 1st October 2010 in relation to the child.

(3) Sub-paragraph (1)(b)(iii) does not apply if a parent of the child has signed a declaration referred to in paragraph 3(b)(ii) in force immediately before 1st October 2010 in relation to that child.”.

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Made this 1st day of September 2010.

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