

EQIA Response Form on the repeal of the Socially Disadvantaged Circumstances (SDC) criterion legislation

The closing date for responses is Friday 4 December 2026

Your Details:

Name: _____
Address: _____

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Contact Phone number: _____

If you are the official respondent for a group or organisation please state its name:

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E-mail: de.earlyyears@education-ni.gov.uk

EQIA Response Form Questions

Your views are welcomed on the following:

1. Are there any data issues in relation to Section 75 categories that the Department needs to consider?

2. Are there any adverse impacts in relation to Section 75 equality groups that the Department needs to consider?

3. What action do you think could be taken to reduce or eliminate any adverse impacts.

4. Are there any other comments you would like to make about this EQIA?

The Department welcomes comment on any aspects of this document. Interested parties are encouraged to make responses by the deadline, which will be used to inform further mitigation measures.

Please return the completed document preferably by e-mail to:
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or alternatively, by posting it to:

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Deadline for receipt of completed forms will be: **Friday 4 December 2026.**