



Education & Skills  
Funding Agency

## **Apprenticeship funding rules August 2018 to July 2019 (version 1)**

### **Summary of changes**

#### **Introduction**

1. This document sets out amendments to the following documents:
  - Apprenticeship funding: rules and guidance for employers  
May 2017 to July 2018 version 3
  - Apprenticeship funding: rules for employer-providers  
May 2017 to July 2018 version 3
  - Apprenticeship funding and performance management rules for training providers  
May 2017 to July 2018 version 6
2. The funding rules form part of the terms and conditions for the use of funds in an employer's apprenticeship service account or for government-employer co-investment. You must read them in conjunction with your funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education (acting through the Education and Skills Funding Agency (the ESFA), an executive agency of the Department for Education).
3. Unless otherwise stated these rules will apply to all apprenticeship programmes starting on or after 1 August 2018 and will include both apprenticeship frameworks and standards.
4. We have identified the rules that have changed from the 2017 to 2018 rules in the table below. The provider, employer-provider and employer paragraph numbers are denoted with the prefix P, EP or E respectively.
5. This document is intended as a summary and does not replace the funding rules themselves. You should refer to the main funding rules document for the definitive rules.

## Summary note:

On the 19 June 2018 we published a 'clarification (draft) version' of the 2018 to 2019 funding rules. Along with that version of the rules we also published a summary of changes, to make it easy to identify the differences between the '2017 to 2018' and the '2018 to 2019' rules.

We published a 'clarification version' to provide the sector with an opportunity to feedback on any areas of the 2018 to 2019 rules that we could make even clearer before the final version was issued.

We have now published 'final version 1' of the 2018 to 2019 rules and this summary of changes includes the additional amends that have been made following the clarification exercise.

As noted in the previous summary of changes document, published alongside the clarification version, there are no major changes to the rules above and beyond the policy additions that were detailed within [this document](#) published in May 2018.

The policy changes at that time included the introduction of the care-leaver bursary and continuation of the uplift for 16 to 18 year olds (and eligible 19 to 24 year olds) starting frameworks. These policy changes are now reflected in the apprenticeship funding rules.

The 2018 to 2019 funding rules have been restructured for ease of understanding. This includes a restructure of the evidence pack and movement of some sections (e.g. the commitment statement into the 'What is an apprenticeship?' section). We have also updated the funding rules to provide greater clarity to the learning support section. And following discussion with the Institute for Apprenticeships, we have created a section on prior learning in response to questions from the sector.

We have removed the [apprenticeship performance-management rules from the training provider rules](#) (annexes B-D in version 6 of the 2017 to 2018 funding rules); these arrangements will continue to apply, as the performance management rules run until March 2019, but going forward these will be released as a separate document.

Annexes E, F, and G have also been removed. Annex G, the table of prior equivalency, has been replaced by a link on [GOV.UK](#). We have also included a section on match funding requirements for the European Social Fund (ESF), which will apply to all apprentices funded via the non-levy route from 1 August 2018.

## **Terminology:**

### **New rule:**

- We use this term to describe new rules that are developed in line with new policy, changes to existing policy, or changes to operational processes. The term describes new actions we expect a relevant individual or organisation to undertake in order to be compliant.

### **Clarification:**

- We use this term to describe the rewording of existing rules for ease of understanding or for the inclusion of a rule that explicitly states, reinforces or emphasises the implicit actions that should already be taken in order to be compliant with the entirety of the funding rules.

### **Restructure:**

- We use this term to describe areas where we have moved rules for ease of understanding.

## Summary of changes

| Section   | Change   | Paragraph number  | Amended   |
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| <b>Full document changes - terminology</b>      | Updated terminology: genuine job to job with training.   | -   | June 2018 |
|   | Updated terminology: provider to main provider, employer-provider or training provider.  | -   | July 2018 |
| <b>Full document changes - referencing</b>      | Hyperlinks inserted and updated.   | -   | June 2018 |
|   | Paragraph referencing updated.   | -   | June 2018 |
| <b>Introduction and purpose of the document</b> | Reference to updated performance-management rules included.  | P14   | July 2018 |
|   | Include section referring to 'relevant legislation'<br>Restructure: section on 'recovery of funds' incorporated.                       | P15-16<br>EP15-16   | June 2018 |
| <b>Understanding the terminology</b>            | Restructure: section incorporated into the glossary.   | -   | June 2018 |
| <b>What is an apprenticeship?</b>               | Restructure: changes made for ease of understanding, including incorporation of 'commitment statement' into this section.              | -   | June 2018 |
| <b>A job with training</b>                      | New terminology: a job with training replaces the term genuine job.  | -   | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: what a 'job with training' should be.   | P17-22<br>EP17-22<br>E9-14                                      | June 2018 |
|   | Rule change: the requirement for the apprentice to stay with the employer after the apprenticeship has been achieved has been removed. | 17/18 v6<br>P30-31<br>17/18 v3<br>EP31-32<br>17/18 v4<br>E27-28 | June 2018 |
| <b>Employment contract</b>                      | Restructure: of the section on the apprentice's contract of service and relevant exceptions.   | P23<br>EP23<br>E15  | June 2018 |

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| <b>Off-the-job training</b>  | Clarification: off-the-job training is a statutory requirement for an English apprenticeship.   | P27<br>EP27<br>E19                                      |           |
|  | Clarification: that 20% off-the-job training should cover the planned duration of the training period within the apprenticeship, which for standards is the practical period (which ends at the gateway for end-point assessment (called the final day)). | P31<br>EP31<br>E23                                      | June 2018 |
|  | New rule: statutory leave should be deducted when calculating the 20% off-the-job requirement for all apprentices who begin their programme from 1 August 2018.   | P32<br>EP32<br>E24                                      | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: planned off-the-job training must be set out in the apprentice's commitment statement and it should be clear which components have been used to calculate the 20% requirement.   | P33<br>EP33<br>E25                                      | June 2018 |
| <b>The apprenticeship agreement between the employer and apprentice</b>            | Clarification: reference included to relevant legislation on the apprenticeship agreement for frameworks.   | P38.2<br>EP38.2<br>E30.2                                | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: a new apprenticeship agreement template will shortly be available on GOV.UK at the link given. <b>NOTE: The sector will be notified through 'Update' when the new template is available.</b>   | P38.3<br>EP38.3<br>E30.3                                | July 2018 |
|  | Clarification: the start date in the apprenticeship agreement must align with the start date in the commitment statement.   | P41<br>EP41<br>E33                                      | June 2018 |
| <b>The commitment statement between the employer, apprentice and main provider</b> | Restructure: The commitment statement section has been brought forward into the 'What is an apprenticeship' section.  | -   | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: that information pertaining to the 20% requirement must be on the commitment statement and it must be clear what components have been used towards the calculation and their source of funding.  | P44.5,<br>P44.6<br>EP44.5,<br>EP44.6<br>E36.5,<br>E36.6 | June 2018 |
| <b>Apprenticeship duration and</b>   | Clarification: the minimum duration terminology has changed from one year to 12 months to reflect the language used in  | P45<br>EP45<br>E37                                      | July 2018 |

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| <b>employment hours</b>                                | legislation. Examples are given of this rule in practice.   |                          |           |
|  | Clarification: where an apprentice temporarily works part-time, the apprenticeship agreement must be extended.  | P54<br>EP54<br>E46       | June 2018 |
|  | Restructure: where an apprentice starts a new apprenticeship, time spent on the previous apprenticeship does not apply in meeting the minimum duration requirements. The exceptions to this rule are listed.              | P60<br>EP60<br>E52       | June 2018 |
| <b>Who can be funded?</b>                              | Clarification: change of 'direct cost' to 'cost'. Apprentice must not be asked to contribute to cost of training or end-point assessment.   | P63.4<br>EP63.4<br>E55.4 | June 2018 |
|  | Restructure: moved details on residency criteria to Annex A.  | -                        | June 2018 |
|  | Restructure: rule on providing accurate unique learner number incorporated into this section.   | P65<br>EP65              | June 2018 |
| <b>Individuals who are not eligible for funding</b>    | Restructure: existing rules grouped under new section title.  | P73<br>EP73<br>E62       | June 2018 |
| <b>Apprentices who need access to learning support</b> | Section retitled 'Apprentices who need access to Learning Support'.   | -                        | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: rule restructured for ease of understanding. Learning support is available to put in place reasonable adjustments to support apprentices to continue and complete their apprenticeship.                    | P74<br>EP74<br>E63       | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: who is eligible for learning support, now includes individuals who do not have a diagnosis but for whom the provider has identified and evidenced a learning need.   | P75<br>EP75<br>E63       | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: learning support must not be used to deal with everyday difficulties not directly associated with an apprenticeship. If an apprentice needs help at work they may be able to get help from Access to Work. | P76<br>EP76<br>E64       | June 2018 |

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| <b>Exceptional learning support</b>         | Restructure: existing rules regarding exceptional learning support (ELS) provided in new section, where apprentices need significant support costing more than £19,000 a year.  | P80-81<br>EP80-81           | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: on the process for claiming ELS.   | P81<br>EP81                 | June 2018 |
|   | Rule change: removal of previous requirements regarding education, health and care (EHC) plan. This no longer affects eligibility.  | -                           | June 2018 |
| <b>Apprenticeship training agency (ATA)</b> | Restructure: information moved from ineligible costs section to ATA section.  | -<br>-                      | June 2018 |
| <b>Eligible costs</b>                       | Clarification: distance and online learning have been replaced by the terms self-directed distance learning and interactive online learning (virtual classrooms).   | P93.4<br>EP85.4<br>E77.4    | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: that the time spent by managers / employees mentoring apprentices is an eligible cost but only where this directly linked to the apprenticeship and not to line management responsibilities.                                       | P93.7<br>EP85.7<br>E77.7    | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: that for accommodation of any nature to be funded it must be a mandatory requirement of the apprenticeship standard that would apply equally to all apprentices following that standard.   | P93.10<br>EP85.10<br>E77.10 | June 2018 |
| <b>Ineligible costs</b>                     | Clarification: induction refers to provider induction.  | P97.1<br>EP89.1<br>E81.1    | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: as the ongoing development of existing materials is an ineligible cost, this is to make it clear therefore that the cost associated with the creation of original teaching materials relating to a new offer/standard is eligible. | P97.5<br>EP89.5<br>E81.5    | June 2018 |

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|                            | Clarification: the reference to distance learning has been updated to self-directed distance learning.  | P97.6<br>EP89.6<br>E81.6    | June 2018 |
|                            | New rule: confirmation that student membership fees, even where linked to mandatory qualifications, are an ineligible cost.   | P97.10<br>EP89.10<br>E81.10 | June 2018 |
|                            | Clarification: inducements must not be paid to any other party in relation to the apprenticeship programme.   | P98<br>EP90<br>E82          | July 2018 |
| <b>Additional payments</b> | New rule: before the provider can claim for any additional payments, they must have evidence that the apprentice is eligible. This information must be kept in the evidence pack.   | P102<br>EP94<br>E85         | June 2018 |
|                            | New rule: where payments are generated for apprentices who are care leavers or have an EHC plan, a training provider must include the apprentice's consent to inform their employer they have an EHC plan. Further a provider must confirm the apprentice's status (and record this in the evidence pack) through evidence of a EHC plan or a letter / email from a local authority appointed Personal Advisor to confirm an individual is a care leaver. | P103<br>EP95<br>E86         | June 2018 |
|                            | New rule: if an apprentice does not want to inform their employer that they were previously in care the provider must report the appropriate code in the ILR to generate funding for them but not the employer.   | P104                        | June 2018 |
|                            | Policy: recognising that many providers still deliver frameworks to 16 to 18 year olds, we are maintaining the 20% transitional uplift for 16 to 18 year olds or eligible 19 to 24 year olds. This measure is being extended and will be kept under review ahead of 2020.   | P107<br>EP98<br>E89         | June 2018 |
|                            | Clarification: disadvantage uplift is supplementary to the negotiated price and therefore outside of the eligible/ineligible costs rules. It should be used on costs to support apprentice's training (such as travel costs, materials or personal support).  | P108<br>EP99                | July 2018 |



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| <b>Care leavers bursary</b>                   | New policy/section: the payment of a bursary (£1,000) to 16 to 24-year olds if they have been in the care of the local authority. This is to ensure care leavers, who face additional financial barriers, are able to access apprenticeships.  | P110<br>EP101<br>E91                   | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: the provider must have evidence the apprentice is eligible for this payment before they claim.   | P111<br>EP102                          | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: provider must inform the apprentice this is a one-off payment. Apprentice must sign a declaration to confirm they understand they want to receive the bursary. Further, that they have not been paid before and that if they are found to accepted the payment incorrectly they will be required to repay the bursary. | P112<br>EP103<br>E-                    | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: the bursary is a one-off payment. It is the responsibility of provider to ensure apprentice has not previously received this payment.  | P113<br>EP104<br>E93                   | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: provider must have signed consent from the apprentice to inform the employer.  | P114                                   | July 2018 |
|   | New rule: Payment will be generated 60 days after the apprentice starts where the bursary is claimed; they must pass this to the apprentice within 30 days of receipt.   | P116<br>EP105<br>E92                   | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: provider must evidence a signed confirmation from the apprentice that they have received the bursary.  | P117<br>EP106                          | June 2018 |
| <b>Support for English and maths training</b> | Restructure: this section has been restructured further for ease of understanding and further clarification.   | P123 – 143<br>EP108 – 128<br>E98 – 118 | July 2018 |
|   | Clarification: an introduction to clarify the underpinning policy behind English and maths.  | P123<br>EP108<br>E98                   | June 2018 |

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|                             | Restructure: new section explaining achievement levels for English and maths requirements.  | P124-125<br>EP109-110<br>E99-100              | June 2018 |
|                             | Restructure: revised acceptable equivalents for English and maths for apprenticeship standards are set out in a published list on <a href="https://www.gov.uk">GOV.UK</a> (this will be in place when the rules are published on 1 August 2018. . | P126<br>EP111<br>E101                         | June 2018 |
|                             | Restructure: new section explaining what we will fund, including exceptional circumstances (such as re-takes).  | P126-135<br>EP111-120<br>E101-110             | June 2018 |
|                             | Restructure: section outlining the judgement of an apprentice's current level.  | P136<br>EP121<br>E111                         | June 2018 |
|                             | Restructure: section on the exceptions to the regular English and maths minimum requirements.   | P137-143<br>EP122-128<br>E112-118             | June 2018 |
| <b>End-point assessment</b> | Clarification: previous rule (P128) split for ease of understanding.  | P144,<br>P145<br>EP129,<br>EP130<br>E119, 120 | June 2018 |
|                             | Clarification: their employer in consultation with the main provider is content they have attained sufficient skills, knowledge and behaviours to successfully complete the apprenticeship.   | P146.3<br>EP131.3<br>E121.3                   | June 2018 |
|                             | Clarification: previous rule (P129) split up into bulleted list for ease of understanding.  | P148<br>EP133<br>E123                         | June 2018 |
|                             | Clarification: to reflect the position for standards with more than one gateway.  | P148<br>EP133<br>E123                         | July 2018 |
|                             | Clarification: the end-point assessment organisation for an integrated degree standard may also be the training provider, although the assessment must be conducted by someone who has not been involved in the delivery of the apprenticeship.   | P150<br>EP135<br>E125                         | June 2018 |

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|  | Clarification: the main provider must lead the relationship with the end-point assessment organisation including where the delivery of apprenticeship training is subcontracted.   | P151<br>EP136<br>E126             | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: to reflect the role of the Institute for Apprenticeships.   | P152<br>EP137<br>E127             | June 2018 |
| <b>Agreeing use of subcontractors with employers</b>       | Clarification: link to the 'Using subcontractors in the delivery of apprenticeships' document.   | P159<br>EP143<br>E131             | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: providers must take their own legal advice about whether in sub-contracting part of the service delivery they are a contracting authority awarding a public contract as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. | P160<br>EP145                     | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: the provider must take account of any relevant Ofsted reports when carrying out your own due diligence checks on potential delivery subcontractors.   | P164<br>EP148                     | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: the provider may have more than one sub-contractor.   | P167<br>EP151                     | June 2018 |
| <b>Reporting your use of delivery subcontractors to us</b> | Rule change: to reflect the new reporting of subcontracting through the skills funding service.  | P188<br>EP-168                    | June 2018 |
|  | New rule: you must also update your subcontractor declaration if your arrangements change during the year.   | P189<br>EP169                     | June 2018 |
| <b>Paying for an apprenticeship</b>                        | Clarification: funding method for apprenticeships is determined at the start of the apprenticeship.  | P193<br>EP173<br>E141             | July 2018 |
|  | Clarification: the funding bands, and standards and frameworks placed within them, may be subject to change.   | P194.4<br>EP179<br>E142.2         | June 2018 |
| <b>Accounting for prior learning</b>                       | Restructure: rules regarding accounting for prior learning have been expanded into a separate section to include clarification of frequently asked questions.  | P197-202<br>EP185-190<br>E145-147 | June 2018 |

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|   | Emphasis/clarification: funds must not be used to pay for training in skills already attained. We will recover funding where this happens.  | P197<br>EP185<br>E145 | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: the provider must account for prior learning, you must reduce the content, duration and price where an appropriate.  | P198<br>EP186<br>E146 | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: where accounting for prior learning would mean the duration would be less than 12 months or fail to meet the 20% off-the-job, the apprenticeship is ineligible.  | P199<br>EP187         | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: the provider must assess prior learning before the start of the apprenticeship. You must evidence and quantify prior learning already attained.  | P200<br>EP188         | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: the provider must include a thorough assessment of apprentice's existing knowledge, skills and behaviours against those required for apprenticeship. This includes work experience, previous apprenticeships and prior education.  | P201<br>EP189<br>E147 | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: the above assessment must be included in the evidence pack.   | P202<br>EP190         | June 2018 |
| <b>Apprenticeships funded by transfer of levy funds</b> | Clarification: transfer allowance is recalculated every tax year, unused allowance will not be carried forward.   | P228<br>EP212<br>E177 | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: for non-levy employers receiving a transfer of levy funds, where any apprentices who are not funded through transfers are entered onto the apprenticeship service, we will suspend all payments for the entire account and we will notify the receiving employer. Once this is rectified, a suspension of payments will be lifted. | EP236<br>E201         | June 2018 |

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| <b>Delivering the apprenticeship</b>                         | Restructure: the 'starting, participating, completing and leaving' section has been incorporated into sections elsewhere (including redundancy, certification, where training stops, what is an apprenticeship).  | -   | June 2018 |
| <b>Certification</b>   | Restructure/clarification: Rule moved to certification from previous 'starting, participating, completing and leaving section': where applicable the provider must apply for and give apprentices certificates from awarding organisations for achieving a qualification, and evidence this in the evidence pack. | P242<br>EP245                             | June 2018 |
| <b>Redundancy</b>  | Restructure/clarification: rule moved to redundancy section. When recording redundancy in the ILR, this must match the date the apprentice became redundant. You must keep a copy of redundancy note in the evidence pack.  | P251.3                                    | June 2018 |
| <b>Where training or assessment stops</b>                    | Restructure: rules moved to this section from starting, participating, completing and leaving section.  | P254-P260<br>EP255-<br>EP260<br>E217-E222 | June 2018 |
| <b>Summary of actions following change of circumstance</b>   | Restructure: section changed from table to rules format.  | P261-275<br>EP261-266<br>E223-233         | June 2018 |
| <b>ESF (European Social Fund) match funding requirements</b> | Section inserted on European Social Fund (ESF), outlining the requirements for ESF match funding.   | P276-278                                  | June 2018 |
| <b>Evidence pack</b>   | Restructured: for ease of understanding into subsections. Please see below for new evidence requirements and clarifications of existing evidence requirements.  | -   | June 2018 |
|  | Restructure: duplicate evidence requirements removed where they are already contained in the requirements for the apprenticeship agreement or commitment statement  | P284<br>EP272                             | June 2018 |

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|  | Clarification: confirmation from the apprentice that they are over 15 and legally left school.   | P285.1<br>EP273.1 | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: confirmation that apprentice is not enrolled on another apprenticeship or DfE funded HE/ FE programme at the same time.   | P285.2<br>EP273.2 | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: confirmation of learner's immigration permission.   | P285.3<br>EP273.3 | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: evidence which be included for prior learning (including where individuals have international qualifications, are unable to provide evidence of prior attainment, and details of relevant experience).                    | P285.4<br>EP273.4 | June 2018 |
|  | Clarification: evidence required to support learning support (including assessment of learning needs, details of how the provider will meet them and a record of outcomes).  | P287.1<br>EP275.1 | June 2018 |
|  | New evidence requirement: where exceptional learning support (ELS) is claimed, copies of the application and supporting evidence for the claim.  | P287.2<br>EP275.2 | June 2018 |
|  | New evidence requirement: confirming a care-leaver's status and eligibility for bursary (and additional payments) through a letter or email from their local authority appointed Personal Advisor.                                       | P288.1<br>EP276.1 | June 2018 |
|  | New evidence requirement: for care-leaver bursary, we require a signed declaration by the apprentice (confirming they want the bursary, understand requirement to repay if paid incorrectly, and have not been paid the bursary before). | P288.2<br>EP276.2 | June 2018 |
|  | New evidence requirement: evidence of payment of care-leaver bursary to apprentice (forwarded within 30 days). This must be confirmation from the apprentice and not only a receipt of transaction.                                      | P288.3<br>EP276.3 | June 2018 |
|  | New evidence requirement: signed consent from the apprentice to share care-leaver  | P288.4            | June 2018 |

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|   | status or EHC plan with employer on their behalf.   |   |           |
|   | Clarification: evidence of additional payments to the employer and forwarded within deadlines.  | P288.5  | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: evidence of the written agreement with and payment to the end-point assessment organisation.   | P290.6<br>EP277.4   | July 2018 |
|   | Clarification: for non-levy apprenticeship; evidence of co-investment which matches information on ILR.   | P290.7  | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: evidence of payments above the funding band maximum.   | P290.8<br>EP277.5   | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: evidence requirements where a subcontractor is used.   | P291<br>EP278   | June 2018 |
|   | New evidence requirement: where subcontracting is taking place, the evidence pack must include an up to date written agreement with each employer that includes the information about the delivery of the apprenticeship programme. | P291.2  | July 2018 |
|   | Clarification: where an employer-provider is subcontracting the delivery of apprenticeship training and/or on-programme assessment, the evidence pack does not need to include a written agreement with the employer.               | EP271.2<br>removed<br>(18/19<br>clarification<br>version) | July 2018 |
|   | New evidence requirement: where an apprentice is made redundant the provider must keep a copy of the redundancy note.   | P292.1<br>EP279.1   | June 2018 |
|   | Clarification: inclusion of the evidence requirements for completion for standards and frameworks.  | P293.1<br>EP280.1   | July 2018 |
| <b>Annex A<br/>Eligibility<br/>criteria</b> | Restructure: all residency information now sits in this annex. The section has also been restricted for ease of understanding and reference.  | -   | June 2018 |

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|   | Clarification: the residency requirements for EEA citizens and non-EEA citizens.  | P305-308<br>EP292-295<br>E238-241 | June 2018 |
|   | New rule: residency requirements for persons granted leave under section 67 of Immigration Act 2016.  | P310.7<br>EP297.7<br>E243.7       | July 2018 |
|   | New rule: residency requirements for persons granted stateless leave.   | P318-321<br>EP305-308<br>E251-254 | June 2018 |
|   | Restructure: rules regarded 'armed forces or individuals outside of England' moved into this section.   | P322<br>EP309<br>E255             | June 2018 |
| <b>Annex B, C, and D* (17/18 rules) – Apprenticeship performance-management rules for August 2017 to March 2019</b> | Section on the performance management rules has been removed from the apprenticeship funding rules for training providers (August 2018 to July 2019). The performance-management arrangements found in the apprenticeship funding and performance-management rules for training providers (May 2017 to July 2018) continue to apply until March 2019 and will be released as a separate document. | -                                 | June 2018 |
| <b>Annex E* (17/18 rules) – AGE</b>   | Removed (no longer applicable)  | -                                 | June 2018 |
| <b>Annex F* (17/18 rules) – AGE</b>   | Removed (no longer applicable)  | -                                 | June 2018 |
| <b>Annex G* (17/18 rules) – Table of equivalent qualifications</b>  | Removed and replaced by link to <a href="https://www.gov.uk">GOV.UK</a> .   | -                                 | June 2018 |
| <b>Glossary</b>   | Restructure: all content previously in the terminology section has been added to the glossary, including: account, apprentice, delivery subcontractor, framework, funding agreement, government-employer co-investment, provider, standard, this document, and training.  | -                                 | June 2018 |
|   | Update: added definitions for self-directed distance learning.  | -                                 | June 2018 |



