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Part 2: Guidance

**Volume 3: Education of Service Children Overseas
in Non SCE Schools**

Foreword

This Part 2 JSP provides guidance in accordance with the policy set out in Part 1 of this JSP; the guidance is sponsored by the Director Children and Young People as the Defence Authority for the Education of Service Children. It provides policy-compliant business practices.

Preface

How to use this JSP

1. JSP 342 is intended as a guide to policy and regulation relating to the education of Service children wherever they might be in the world. It is designed to be used by staff responsible for the provision of education of Service children, those Service staff (and other eligible staff) who have children and for Commands. This JSP contains the policy and direction on the education of Service children and guidance on the processes involved and best practice to apply. This JSP will be reviewed at least annually.
2. The JSP is structured in two parts:
 - a. Part 1- Directive, which provides the direction that must be followed in accordance with statute or policy mandated by Defence or on Defence by Central Government.
 - b. Part 2 - Guidance, which provides the guidance and best practice that will assist the user to comply with the Directive(s) detailed in Part 1. Due to the diverse range of education provision available, JSP 342 Part 2 has divided into the following Volumes:
 - (1) Volume 1: Education of Service Children in the UK – this volume.
 - (2) Volume 2: Education of Service Children Overseas in Service Children’s Education (SCE) Schools
 - (3) Volume 3: Education of Service Children Overseas in Non SCE Schools
 - (4) Volume 4: Education of Service Children in Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) in the UK and Overseas

Coherence with other Defence Authority Policy and Guidance

3. Where applicable, this document contains links to other relevant JSPs, some of which may be published by different Defence Authorities. Where particular dependencies exist, these other Defence Authorities have been consulted in the formulation of the policy and guidance detailed in this publication.

Related JSPs	Title
JSP 464	Tri Service Accommodation Regulations (TSARs)
JSP 752	Tri Service Regulations for Allowances
JSP 770	Tri Service Operational and Non Operational Welfare Policy
JSP 800 Vol 5	Defence Movements and Transport Regulations
JSP 834	Safeguarding Children

Further Advice and Feedback - Contacts

4. The owner of this JSP is the Director Children and Young people (DCYP). For further information on any aspect of this guide, or questions not answered within the subsequent sections, or to provide feedback on the content, contact:

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1 Education of Service Children Overseas in Non SCE Schools

General

1. In Extra Command Areas (ECAs) and sites with isolated status overseas, it is unlikely that there will be an SCE school provided. In such circumstances, it is important to obtain the best possible advice on the educational options available. Useful information may be obtained from the person who is being replaced at post or the Commanding Officer of the receiving unit, but in every case staff anticipating an accompanied posting should contact CEAS for advice and guidance:

Children's Education Advisory Service
Trenchard Lines
Upavon, Pewsey
Wiltshire
SN9 6BE

Telephone: 01980 618 244 (Military 94 344 8244)
Email: enquiries@ceas.uk.com

2. The type and quality of education available will differ from country to country and often from one part of a country to another. Education overseas can be generally divided into six different types:

- a. MOD schools provided through Service Children's Education
- b. English speaking schools.
- c. Non English speaking schools.
- d. International schools.
- e. Boarding provision.
- f. Homeschooling.

Use of Local Schools in areas covered by SCE Schools

3. In areas overseas where an SCE school is provided, parents whose children accompany them at post will be offered a place at that school. An alternative option is the use of local schools. These may be state schools, to which pupils are admitted free of charge, or they may be independent fee-paying schools. In the latter case where access to a SCE school is not an option, necessarily incurred school fees will be reimbursed, within the limits set out in Pt 1 Ch 7 Para 12 of this JSP. The budgetary and administrative responsibility for reimbursement lies with the employing unit, except in the BFG¹ area, where it falls within the remit of SCE and in EJSU locations where EJSU has responsibility.

¹ All references to "the BFG area" in this Chapter apply to Germany and the Low Countries.

English Speaking Schools

4. The school will follow the curriculum of the host country and the English National Curriculum will not be available. Although children will not be taught the English National Curriculum every system has its own strengths which may more than compensate.

Non English Speaking Schools

5. There is an allowance to help children learn the local language but the provision available varies from country to country. The English National Curriculum will not be available and children will need to have a real interest in languages if they are going to thrive in one of these schools.

International Schools

6. International schools are independent schools which can sometimes be found in non-English speaking countries. These schools cater for the international community and the main language is usually English. In some of the International schools the curriculum follows the same pattern as in England but in others they may follow other systems such as the USA system.

UK Boarding Schools

7. If there is no suitable schooling at the overseas assignment Service families may consider boarding in the UK. The Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) is available for eligible Service personnel to help them with the cost of boarding education. For more details see JSP 752.

Appointments in NATO and EUMS in Continental Europe and Turkey

8. Personnel taking up appointments in NATO and European Union Military Staff (EUMS) in continental Europe and Turkey are supported for education purposes by EJSU. Personnel considering or taking NATO or EUMS appointments in continental Europe and Turkey should contact EJSU in the first instance for advice and guidance.

Appointments in the USA

9. It is recommended that personnel posted to the USA should contact:

Community Liaison Officer (CLO) and Head of Defence Administration Personal Services at the British Embassy, US Sp Gp BDS(US)
British Embassy,
Washington,
BFPO 2.