

School plans

Every school has to have a plan about how they will help disabled pupils with their school work and how they will make it easier to get around the school. The plan also has to say how the school will help disabled pupils to understand things that normally come in writing.

You can tell the school what you think should be in the plan and you can also ask to have a copy in a form you understand.

For more advice or information see the back page for details.

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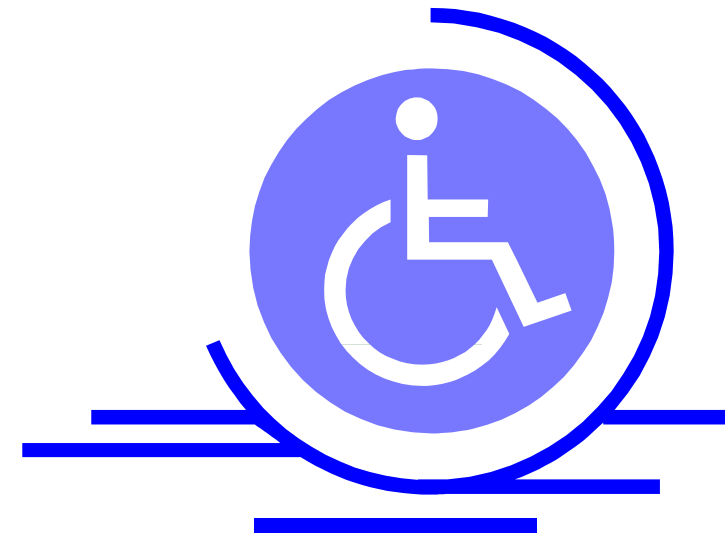
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Disabled and at school



If you are disabled then you have rights. Your school has to respect your rights and try to help you out.

Disabled and at school

This leaflet is for children and young people who need extra help at school. It is also available in Braille, audio, BSL video and other languages.

Am I disabled ?

Disabled can include lots of different people. It's not just people in wheelchairs. It can be problems with seeing or hearing. It can be problems with speech or learning or understanding things. It can be all sorts of problems people have. About one in every seven people has a disability of some sort.

What should my school do ?

If you are disabled, then your school must not treat you worse than other pupils because of your disability.

For example, you shouldn't normally be stopped from taking part in classes, or school trips or activities because of a disability.

The school may also have to make some changes to the way they do things if it will help you at school.

For example, you may need extra time to do your

homework or to finish class tests. You may need access to the staff toilets or for your lessons to be held in ground floor classrooms.

What if it doesn't happen ?

If you think your school has treated you badly because you are disabled or the school has not made changes to help you, you can ask for a Conciliator. A Conciliator is a person who will help you and the school to agree what should happen next. To find out more, contact the Disability Rights Commission (see back page for details).