



## Guidance Summary of changes

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This sets out changes we have made to the handbook to reflect our inspection practice. It does not include corrections or changes made to improve clarity.

### June 2021

Paragraphs 43, 48, 128, 129, 132, 158, 159 and 160: updates to inspection intervals following the pandemic.

Paragraph 51 to 52: inserted paragraphs on outstanding judgements.

Paragraphs 57, 59 and 83: updated to reflect that inspectors will take into account transitional arrangements where appropriate.

Paragraphs 62, 67, 116 and 123: updates on harmful sexual behaviour, bullying and harassment.

Paragraph 68: inserted paragraph on careers information, education, advice and guidance (CIEAG).

Paragraphs 108, 162 and 163: changed to reflect the new early career framework for teachers and the replacement of the term NQT with ECT.

Paragraph 136: updates to the information inspectors review before a monitoring inspection.

Paragraph 218: inserted paragraph on seeking the views of parents and staff.

### April 2021

Paragraph 5: update referring users to the 'Inspection during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic' section of the school inspection handbook - section 5.

Paragraph 25: Clarification that the clerk to the governors may be present at the final feedback meeting to the school.

Paragraphs 27 to 39: updated to reflect new arrangements for publishing reports and handling concerns and complaints.

Paragraphs 1, 4 and 41 to 49: changes to reflect the removal of the outstanding exemption.

Paragraph 65: COVID-19 update about personal development opportunities during the pandemic.

Paragraphs 105 and 110: COVID-19 update about changes to the preparatory call.

Paragraphs 111, 113 and 145: COVID-19 update to clarify that meetings may include a virtual option where necessary.

Paragraph 128: clarification that monitoring visits can be converted to section 5 inspections.

Paragraphs 133 and 167: added new paragraphs on discussions with the headteacher.

Paragraph 148: update to reflect that the lead inspector may deem a monitoring inspection a section 5 inspection if the school's performance appears to be improving.

Paragraph 169: inserted a section on inspection planning.

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