



Special Education Needs and Disability Legislation (The Law)

To understand how Laws are made in England we have enclosed here an Easy Read document explaining the process: [HOW LAWS ARE MADE](#)

Definition of a GREEN PAPER

Green Papers are consultation documents produced by the Government. The aim of this document is to allow people both inside and outside Parliament to give the department feedback on its policy or legislation proposals.

Copies of consultation documents such as Green Papers are available on the related departmental websites below.

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Definition of a WHITE PAPERS

White papers are policy documents produced by the Government that set out their proposals for future legislation. White Papers are often published as Command Papers and may include a draft version of a Bill that is being planned. This provides a basis for further consultation and discussion with interested or affected groups and allows final changes to be made before a Bill is formally presented to Parliament.

Source: [Glossary - UK Parliament](#)

The Law related to Special Educational Needs and Disability

Children and Families Act 2014

The Act gives children, young people, and their parents and carers, greater control and choice from birth up to the age of 25.

Children & young peoples version: [Department for Education
\(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](http://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Equality Act 2010

The Act legally protects people from discrimination. It replaced previous anti-discrimination laws with a single Act. The EQA in Easy Read - [easy-read.pdf
\(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](http://publishing.service.gov.uk)

Care Act 2010

The Act sets out in one place, local authorities' duties in relation to assessing the needs of adults and their eligibility for publicly funded care and support.

The Care Act in Easy Read [ISL036 14 Mental Health Act Review Consultation
\(sunrisecareadvisers.co.uk\)](http://sunrisecareadvisers.co.uk)

Mental Capacity Act 2005

The Act protects and empowers adults over 16 who may lack the mental capacity to make their own decisions. [Mental Capacity Act 2005: An easy read
guide \(local.gov.uk\)](http://local.gov.uk)

Who can I speak to if I have questions about my rights?

You can speak to us: Bexley SEND IASS

You can contact us by telephone, email or fill in our self-referral form on the website. The links are below:

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[0203 045 5976](tel:02030455976)

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