



Information Note TC/IN 0012/2024

**To: The Managerial Authorities of Recognised Primary, Secondary,
Community and Comprehensive Schools and
The Chief Executives of Education and Training Boards**

Amendment to the Paternity Leave Scheme for Registered Teachers employed in Recognised Primary and Post Primary Schools

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Due to legislative changes which came into effect on 16th September 2024, this Information Note advises employers of an amendment to the Paternity Leave Scheme for teachers, contained in Circular 0054/2019 (Chapter 4).

2. Paternity Leave Entitlement

- 2.1 Paragraph 2.4 of the Paternity Leave Scheme is amended as follows:

'In the event of a stillbirth, or miscarriage, any time after the 23rd week of pregnancy, or where the child has a birth weight of at least 400 grammes, full Paternity Leave entitlements apply.'

3. Circulation of Information Note

- 3.1 Please ensure this Information Note is circulated to all members of the Board of Management/Education and Training Boards and its contents are brought to the attention of all teachers in your employment, including those on leave of absence.
- 3.2 This Information Note can be accessed on the Department's website at www.gov.ie.

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