

The Protection of Enrolled Learners (PEL): Schedule for Implementation

The Schedule for the Implementation of Part 6 of the 2012 Act applies to providers as follows:

	Category of providers	Commencement Date
1	New applicant providers to QQI for access to initial validation of programmes	For applications received from Monday 7 th October 2013
2	<p>Existing providers</p> <p>(i) All existing providers who make new programme validation applications will be required to put the new PEL arrangements in place</p> <p>See details of PEL at: http://www.qqi.ie/Downloads/White%20paper%20policies/Protection for learners Policy V2_09_October_2013.pdf</p> <p>(ii) Existing providers with currently validated programmes should refer to the <i>Interim Arrangements for Protection of Enrolled Learners (PfL)</i> in respect of those programmes</p> <p>See details of interim arrangements at: http://www.qqi.ie/News/Pages/Interim-Arrangements-for-Protection-of-Enrolled-Learners-(PfL).aspx</p> <p>Arrangements to transition the existing PEL arrangements in respect of their currently validated programmes to meet the new PEL protocols will be developed by QQI and published in due course. See details at: http://www.qqi.ie/Downloads/White%20paper%20policies/Protection for learners Policy V2_09_October_2013.pdf</p>	<p>For applications received from Monday 18th November 2013</p> <p>To be determined</p>
3	<p>All providersⁱ</p> <p>All providers, under Part 6, Section 67 of the Act, are obliged to furnish information to enrolled learners and make certain types of information available to their learners.</p> <p>Section 3.3 (page 6) of the PEL Protocols indicates the specific information for learners which must be provided. Link to protocol</p>	Monday 18 th November 2013

ⁱ 'provider', means a person 'who provides, organises or procures a programme of education and training (Qualification and Quality Assurance (Education and Training) Act 2012
