

Statement for school websites.

The Education (Penalty Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2013 introduced Fixed Penalty Notices for regular non-attendance at school.

The Welsh Government has required all local authorities to draw up and implement their own Local Codes of Conduct to ensure consistency in the issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices. The code will be implemented in Powys from 27 February 2013.

The Welsh Government states that Fixed Penalty Notices are one option among a number of different interventions available to promote better school attendance. The introduction of these regulations is one part of the Welsh Government strategy to support improved school attendance across Wales.

The introduction of these regulations mean that parents may now be financially penalised for their child(ren)'s regular non-attendance at school.

The local code of conduct, which explains how penalty notices will operate, is available on the Powys County Council website

<http://www.powys.gov.uk/en/schools-students/school-attendance-welfare/>

<http://www.powys.gov.uk/cy/ysgolion-a-myfyrwyr/presenoldeb-yn-yr-ysgol-a-lles/>