



Circular 0071/2014

To: The Chief Executives of Education and Training Boards

**Revised Procedures for Suspension and Dismissal
of Teachers and Principals**

Purpose of Circular:

Following the enactment of the Education and Training Boards Act 2013 and the Education (Amendment) Act 2012, the procedures in relation to professional competence issues and general disciplinary matters for Teachers and Principals employed by Education and Training Boards have been revised.

The procedures in this Circular supersede those set out in Circular 59/2009. Circular 59/2009 is now withdrawn.

These procedures will apply to all professional competence issues and general disciplinary matters from the date of issue. Where a process regarding a professional competence or disciplinary issue has commenced under Circular 59/2009 prior to the date of issue of this Circular, that process should now continue using the revised procedures contained in this Circular, from the corresponding stage.

Circulation:

Please ensure that copies of this Circular are provided to all members of the Education and Training Board and its contents are brought to the attention of all Teachers and Principals in your employment including those on approved paid or unpaid leave.

To access the procedures for **Teachers**: [Click here](#)

To access the procedures for **Principals**: [Click here](#)

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