

Brainse an Iarbhuioideachais
An Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta,
Cor na Madadh,
Baile Átha Luain,
Co. na hIarmhí.



Post-Primary Administration,
Department of Education and Science,
Cornamaddy,
Athlone,
Co. Westmeath.

Circular 0037/2008

To the Chief Executive Officer of each Vocational Education Committee

**Revised pay for Senior Instructors/Assistant Managers and
Instructors in VEC Outdoor Education Centres with effect from 1
March 2008**

Dear Chief Executive Officer,

I am directed by the Minister for Education and Science to refer to the application in the education sector of the terms of Towards 2016 and the associated pay agreement, and to convey the approval of the Minister for the implementation, in respect of Senior Instructors/Assistant Managers and Instructors in VEC Outdoor Education Centres, of the revised pay rates contained in the schedule to this circular letter, with effect from 1 March 2008. This letter will be made available on the Department's website (www.education.ie), under Post Primary Division.

These revised rates have been introduced as a result of the implementation of Section 27.17 of Towards 2016, which provides for an increase of 2.5% with effect from 1 March 2008.

The payment of this increase is dependent on verification of co-operation with flexibility and ongoing change, satisfactory implementation of the agenda for modernisation, maintenance of stable industrial relations and absence of industrial action in respect of any matters covered by the Towards 2016 agreement. The Secretary General, in consultation with the Education Sector Performance Verification Group (ESPVG), has considered progress achieved and decided that the level of progress achieved during the period warrants the payment of the relevant pay increases.

Allowances

For staff to whom this letter applies, pay allowances may be increased by 2.5% with effect from 1 March 2008.

Pensions

Pensions in the course of payment on 29th February 2008 to former Outdoor Education staff may be adjusted, as appropriate, by reference to the revised pay scales as set out in the schedule to this letter.

General

Please provide a copy of this letter to staff members, as appropriate. Any queries, at VEC level, regarding the implementation of the letter should be addressed to Post Primary Administration 3, Athlone (Tel: 09064 83768, Fax: 09064 84058).

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March 2008

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