

**Notification**

Education Department,

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

Dated the - 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2025

Right of Children  
to Free and  
Compulsory  
Education Act,  
2009.

No. GH/SH/35/2025/ED/MIS/e-file/3/2024/3005/CH- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 38 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 (35 of 2009), the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Rules, 2012, namely:-

1. (1) These rules may be called the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Official Gazette*.


2. In the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Rules, 2012, in rule 3, for sub-rule(1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

“(1) Admission of pupils : The minimum age limit of a Child for admission to the 1<sup>st</sup> standard shall be 6 years as on the 1<sup>st</sup> June in the academic year in which admission is sought (A child born on the 1<sup>st</sup> June shall also be considered.) :

Provided that, such age limit may be relaxed by four years in case of Children with Special Needs. Consequent upon the change in the age limit for admission, to the 1<sup>st</sup> standard, a progressive change in the age limit for the appropriate classes shall be continued to be reflected in future too.

Explanation.- For the purpose of this rule, “Children with Special Needs (CwSN)” means "person with disability" as defined in clause(s) of section-2 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.”.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

  
(K.V.Patel )

Deputy Secretary to Government  
Education Department

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- Personal Secretary to Hon. Education Minister, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

- Personal Secretary to Hon. Education Minister for State, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- The Additional Chief Secretary, General Administration Department, Sachivalay, Gandhinagar.
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- State project director, Samagra Shiksha, Vidhya Samiksha Kendra, Sector-19, Gandhinagar.
- Director Of Primary Education, Gujarat State, Vidya Samiksha Kendra, Sector-19, Gandhinagar.
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