



SPECIAL ED TIMELINES PURSUANT TO MAINE SPECIAL EDUCATION REGULATIONS (Chapter 101)

Referral:

15 school days to hold PET from the date of referral (Regulation 7.7)

Notice of PET Meeting

7 days advance notice to parent (Regulation 8.5)

Informed Consent from Parents:

Forms must be provided to parents within *15 school days* of referral

Evaluations

45 school days for evaluation and report to be completed (Regulation 9.13D)

Independent educational evaluation: school to provide written response to parent request within *30 calendar days* of receipt of request (Reg 12.5(C))

Eligibility Determination:

45 school days after receipt of informed consent from parent(s) for initial eligibility determination (Regulation 9.17)

IEP:

PET Meeting to develop IEP conducted within *30 days* of determination that student needs services (Regulation 10.2)

21 school days for IEP to be completed and provided to parents after PET Meeting (Regulation 10.2)

Offer of services in accordance with IEP made to parents within *45 school days* of referral (Regulation 9.17)

Must be implemented within *30 days* after PET's initial identification (Reg 10.5)

School unable to hire/contract for services:

PET must be reconvened to identify alternative services within *30 days* after start of school year or date of IEP development. (Regulation 10.5)

Tutoring:

If in excess of *10 days*, PET must convene to develop new IEP (Regulation 5.8)

If tutoring to be in excess of *60 days*, must be done by certified special education teacher (Regulation 5.8)

Discipline:

If discipline is for *10 consecutive or cumulative school days* or more, it is a change of placement (Regulations 12.11Q, 14.1, 14.2(B))

Interim Alternative Educational Setting (IAES) for up to *45 days* if drugs or weapons are involved (Regulations 12.11Q, 14.2(A)(2))

IAES is ordered by a hearing officer via expedited hearing for no more than *45 days* if student is dangerous (Regulation 14.4)

If for more than *10 school days*, manifestation determination must be held (Regulation 12.11Q)

If in excess for more than *10 school days*, FAPE must be provided (Reg 12.11Q, 14.2(A)(1)(b), 14.3(B))