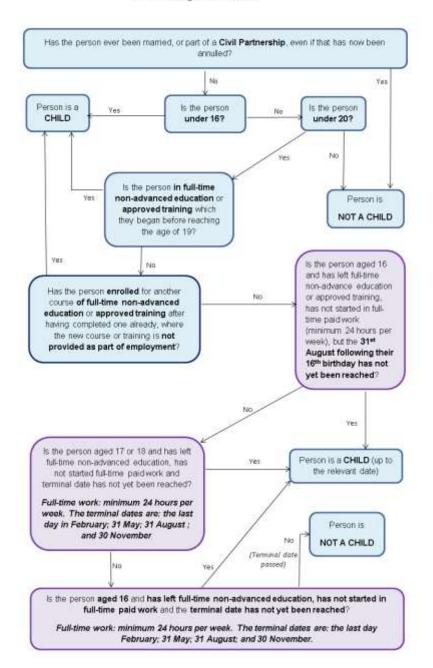
Determining 'child ' status



Additional consideration (purple boxes)

Extension periods - In each of the purple decision boxes, and if the person you are considering is aged 16 or 17 you must also determine if an extension of Child Benefit may apply. The extension period starts on the Monday after education ceases and lasts for a maximum of 20 weeks. It cannot extend beyond a person's 18th birthday, nor continue beyond any point they start full-time work or make a claim to benefits/tax credits for themselves. When the extension period applies, the end date for the child will be the date the person turns 18 (if applicable), or begins paid work (minimum 24 hours per week), or claims a benefit or tax credit. If none of these apply, they will cease to be a child at either the relevant terminal date or the end of their extension period, whichever is the later.