

Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/2003 of 27 November 2003 concerning jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility, repealing Regulation (EC) No 1347/2000

CHAPTER I

SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

Article 1

Scope

- 1 This Regulation shall apply, whatever the nature of the court or tribunal, in civil matters relating to:
 - a divorce, legal separation or marriage annulment;
 - b the attribution, exercise, delegation, restriction or termination of parental responsibility.
- 2 The matters referred to in paragraph 1(b) may, in particular, deal with:
 - a rights of custody and rights of access;
 - b guardianship, curatorship and similar institutions;
 - c the designation and functions of any person or body having charge of the child's person or property, representing or assisting the child;
 - d the placement of the child in a foster family or in institutional care;
 - e measures for the protection of the child relating to the administration, conservation or disposal of the child's property.
- 3 This Regulation shall not apply to:
 - a the establishment or contesting of a parent-child relationship;
 - b decisions on adoption, measures preparatory to adoption, or the annulment or revocation of adoption;
 - c the name and forenames of the child;
 - d emancipation;
 - e maintenance obligations;
 - f trusts or succession;
 - g measures taken as a result of criminal offences committed by children.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/2003. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [Regulations revoked by S.S.I. 2019/104 reg. 3](#)
- [Regulation revoked by S.I. 2019/519 reg. 3](#)