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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2004 No. 3203**

**The Adoption and Children Act 2002  
(Commencement No. 7) Order 2004**

**Citation, interpretation and application**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (Commencement No.7) Order 2004.

(2) In this Order “the Act” means the Adoption and Children Act 2002.

(3) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), this Order applies to England and Wales.

(4) The following provisions of article 2(1) do not apply to Wales –

- (a) sub-paragraph (a) in so far as it relates to section 2(6) of the Act;
- (b) sub-paragraphs (b) to (f);
- (c) sub-paragraphs (h) to (j); and
- (d) heads (i) to (iii) and (v) in sub-paragraph (m).

(5) Article 2(1)(j) in so far as it relates to -

- (a) sections 63(2) to (5) and 65(2)(a) and (3) of the Act applies to Scotland; and
- (b) sections 63(2) to (5) and 65(2)(b) and (3) of the Act applies to Northern Ireland.