
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for reciprocal enforcement between Scotland and the United States of America (as defined in article 2) of claims for the recovery of maintenance falling outwith the jurisdiction of the Secretary of State in respect of child support (specified in article 3).

It applies, by article 4, the provisions of Part II of the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 in relation to the United States of America, with the modification set out in article 4(2).

The Order comes into force on 1st October 2007.

By virtue of article 5, the arrangements under the Recovery of Maintenance (United States of America) Order 1993 between the United Kingdom and specified States of the United States of America as individual reciprocating territories continue in full force and effect for Part II matters commenced before 1st October 2007.

The Recovery of Maintenance (United States of America) Order 2007 S.I.2007/2006 provides for reciprocal enforcement between the United States of America and Scotland (in relation to claims for the recovery of maintenance other than those to which this Order applies as specified in article 3) and for such enforcement in relation to the rest of the United Kingdom.