

SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 16(2)(c), 19(a)

PARENT'S AGREEMENT

IN RESPECT OF
PLACEMENT OF CHILD FOR ADOPTION

I

living at

am the mother/father of

who was born on

- *A. Agree to my child being placed for adoption and I understand that:
- (a) my child will go to live with adopters as that is in my child's best interests;
 - (b) as a consequence of giving any agreement, I will not be entitled to remove my child from the adopters without the permission of the adoption agency or the court; and
 - (c) when the court considers an adoption application, it will seek my agreement to the making of an adoption order but only where I am a parent who has parental responsibilities and parental rights or where such responsibilities and rights have been removed from me by virtue of the making of a permanence order which does not grant authority for my child to be adopted**;
- *B. Do not agree to my child being placed for adoption and I understand that:
- (a) should the adoption agency wish to continue with their plan to have my child adopted, they must make an application to the court for a permanence order with authority for my child to be adopted within set timescales (unless an adoption application has already been made) to have the matter determined;
 - (b) in the event of an application for an adoption or a permanence order with authority for my child to be adopted being made, the court will seek my agreement to the making of the order but only where I am a parent who has parental responsibilities and parental rights or where such responsibilities and rights have been removed by virtue of the making of a permanence order which does not grant authority for my child to be adopted**.

Signature:

Date:

*Delete as appropriate.

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NOTE:

You should delete either A or B and sign both copies of this form. You should keep one of them yourself in a safe place, and the other one will be kept by the agency. If you change your mind and decide against adoption, you should tell your social worker and your solicitor immediately. Once your child has gone to live with adopters the length of time she or he lives with them may influence the court's decision as to whether it is in your child's best interests to stay there. If you have not already consulted a solicitor you are advised to do so. You should show this document to your solicitor and anyone else advising you.

** You may wish to seek independent advice from a solicitor if you are unsure as to your status as a parent with parental rights and responsibilities.