



Registered Homes Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 23

PART I

RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES

Provisions supplementary to Part I

19 Meaning of " relative "

- (1) In this Part of this Act " relative " means any of the following—
 - (a) husband or wife ;
 - (b) son or daughter ;
 - (c) father or mother ;
 - (d) brother or sister ;
 - (e) grandparent or other ascendant;
 - (f) grandchild or other descendant;
 - (g) uncle or aunt;
 - (h) nephew or niece ;
- (2) In deducing any relationship for the purposes of subsection (1) above—
 - (a) any relationship by affinity shall be treated as a relationship by consanguinity, any relationship of the half-blood as a relationship of the whole blood, and the stepchild of any person as his child ; and
 - (b) an illegitimate person shall be treated as the legitimate child of his mother and reputed father.
- (3) In this section " husband " and " wife " include a person who is living with a person carrying on or intending to carry on a residential care home as that person's husband or wife, as the case may be, and who has been so living for a period of not less than 6 months.
- (4) A person, other than a relative, with whom a person carrying on or intending to carry on a residential care home ordinarily resides, and with whom that person has been

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ordinarily residing for a period of not less than 5 years, shall be treated for the purposes of this Part of this Act as if he were a relative.

20 General interpretation

(1) In this Part of this Act—

"disablement ", in relation to persons, means that they are blind, deaf or dumb or substantially and permanently handicapped by illness, injury or congenital deformity or any other disability prescribed by the Secretary of State;

" personal care " means care which includes assistance with bodily functions where such assistance is required;

" prescribed " means prescribed by regulations under this Part of this Act;

"registration authority", in relation to a residential care home, means, subject to subsection (2) below, the local social services authority for the area in which the home is situated.

(2) The Council of the Isles of Scilly is the registration authority in relation to a residential care home in the Isles.