



# Family Law Act 1986

## 1986 CHAPTER 55

### PART I

#### CHILD CUSTODY

#### CHAPTER V

##### RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT

#### 25 Recognition of custody orders: general.

- (1) Where a [<sup>F1</sup>custody order][<sup>F1</sup>Part I order] made by a court in any part of the United Kingdom is in force with respect to a child who has not attained the age of sixteen, then, subject to subsection (2) below, the order shall be recognised in any other part of the United Kingdom as having the same effect in that other part as if it had been made by the appropriate court in that other part and as if that court had had jurisdiction to make it.
- (2) Where a [<sup>F1</sup>custody order][<sup>F1</sup>Part I order] includes provision as to the means by which rights conferred by the order are to be enforced, subsection (1) above shall not apply to that provision.
- (3) A court in a part of the United Kingdom in which a [<sup>F1</sup>custody order][<sup>F1</sup>Part I order] is recognised in accordance with subsection (1) above shall not enforce the order unless it has been registered in that part of the United Kingdom under section 27 of this Act and proceedings for enforcement are taken in accordance with section 29 of this Act.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words “Part I order” substituted (*prosp.*) for “custody order” by [Children Act 1989 \(c. 41, SIF 20\)](#), s. 108, Sch. 13 para. 62(2)(a) (with [Sch. 14 para. 1\(1\)](#))

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991. This version of this provision has been superseded.

**Changes to legislation:**

Family Law Act 1986, Section 25 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 30 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.