



# Child Support Act 1991

## 1991 CHAPTER 48

### *Information*

#### 14 Information required by [<sup>F1</sup>Secretary of State].

(1) The Secretary of State may make regulations requiring any information or evidence needed for the determination of any application [<sup>F2</sup>made]<sup>F3</sup>... under this Act, or any question arising in connection with such an application <sup>F3</sup>... [<sup>F4</sup>, or needed for the making of any decision or in connection with the imposition of any condition or requirement under this Act,] or needed in connection with the collection or enforcement of child support or other maintenance under this Act, to be furnished—

- (a) by such persons as may be determined in accordance with regulations made by the Secretary of State; and
- (b) in accordance with the regulations.

[<sup>F5</sup>(1A) Regulations under subsection (1) may make provision for notifying any person who is required to furnish any information or evidence under the regulations of the possible consequences of failing to do so.]

<sup>F6</sup>(2) .....

<sup>F6</sup>(2A) .....

(3) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision authorising the disclosure by [<sup>F7</sup>the [<sup>F8</sup>Secretary of State]]<sup>F9</sup>... , in such circumstances as may be prescribed, of such information held by [<sup>F7</sup>the [<sup>F8</sup>Secretary of State]] for purposes of this Act as may be prescribed.

(4) The provisions of Schedule 2 (which relate to information which is held for purposes other than those of this Act but which is required by the [<sup>F8</sup>Secretary of State]) shall have effect.

**Changes to legislation:** Child Support Act 1991, Section 14 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 13 June 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. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes

## Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 14 heading substituted (1.8.2012) by [The Public Bodies \(Child Maintenance and Enforcement Commission: Abolition and Transfer of Functions\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/2007\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. para. 9**
- F2** Words in s. 14(1) inserted (3.3.2003 for specified purposes) by [Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 \(c. 19\)](#), s. 86(1)(a)(2), **Sch. 3 para. 11(7)** (with s. 83(6)); [S.I. 2003/192](#), art. 3, Sch.
- F3** Words in s. 14(1) repealed (27.10.2008) by [Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008 \(c. 6\)](#), s. 62(3), **Sch. 8**; [S.I. 2008/2548](#), art. 3(d)(i)
- F4** Words in s. 14(1) inserted (3.3.2003 for specified purposes, 26.9.2008 in so far as not already in force) by [Child Support, Pensions and Social Security Act 2000 \(c. 19\)](#), ss. 12, 86(1)(a)(2) (with ss. 28, 83(6)); [S.I. 2003/192](#), art. 3, Sch.; [S.I. 2008/2545](#), art. 2
- F5** S. 14(1A) inserted (1.10.1995 for specified purposes, 14.10.1996 in so far as not already in force) by [Child Support Act 1995 \(c. 34\)](#), s. 30(4), **Sch. 3 para. 3(1)**; [S.I. 1995/2302](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. 2; [S.I. 1996/2630](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. 1
- F6** S. 14(2)(2A) repealed (8.9.1998) by [Social Security Act 1998 \(c. 14\)](#), s. 87(2), Sch. 7 para. 27(a), **Sch. 8**; [S.I. 1998/2209](#), art. 2, Sch. Pt. 1
- F7** Words in s. 14(3) substituted (1.11.2008) by [Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008 \(c. 6\)](#), s. 62(3), **Sch. 3 para. 10(3)**; [S.I. 2008/2675](#), art. 3(b) (with art. 4)
- F8** Words in s. 14(3)(4) substituted (1.8.2012) by [The Public Bodies \(Child Maintenance and Enforcement Commission: Abolition and Transfer of Functions\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/2007\)](#), art. 1(2), **Sch. para. 9**
- F9** Words in s. 14(3) repealed (1.6.1999) by [Social Security Act 1998 \(c. 14\)](#), s. 87(2), Sch. 7 para. 27(b), **Sch. 8**; [S.I. 1999/1510](#), art. 2(f)(iii)(g)(iii)

## Commencement Information

- I1** S. 14 wholly in force; s. 14 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 58(2); s. 14(1)(3) wholly in force and s. 14(4) in force so far as it relates to Sch. 2 para. 2(4) at 17.6.1992 by [S.I. 1992/1431](#), art. 2, **Sch.**; s. 14 in force in so far as not already in force at 5.4.1993 by [S.I. 1992/2644](#), **art. 2**

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2010/875 reg. 16Sch. 2](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4(3A)(3B) inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 4(4)(d) and word inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 1\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 6(2A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 3 para. 4\(2\)](#)
- s. 7(4A)(4B) inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 2\(2\)](#)
- s. 7(5)(d) and word inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 9A inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 138](#)
- s. 9A(1)(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(2\)](#)
- s. 9A(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(2\)](#)
- s. 9A(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(3\)](#)
- s. 9A(6) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. 138 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 107\(4\)](#)
- s. 20(1)(ba) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(3) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 97\(2\)](#)
- s. 20(1)(ba) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(2)(aa) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(4\)](#)
- s. 20(3A)(3B) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2012 c. 5 s. Sch. 11 para. 6(2) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 108\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(5A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(5\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(6) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 97\(3\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(6\)](#)
- s. 20(7A) words substituted by [S.I. 2008/2833 Sch. 3 para. 81\(b\)](#)
- s. 30(5A) added by [1995 c. 34 Sch. 3 para. 9](#)
- s. 31(8)(9) substituted for s. 31(8) by [2008 c. 6 s. 21](#)
- s. 32M32N inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 25](#)
- s. 32M(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 25 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 79\(2\)](#)
- s. 32M(1) substituted by [2023 c. 35 s. 2](#)
- s. 32M(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 25 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 79\(3\)](#)
- s. 32M(3) words substituted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(3\)](#)
- s. 32N(2)(ba) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 3](#)
- s. 32N(3)-(5) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(2\)](#)
- s. 38(1)(aa) inserted by [2007 asp 3 Sch. 5 para. 18\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 38(1)(aa) word substituted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 3 para. 40\(b\)](#) (This amendment will come into force (a) in relation to Scotland, immediately after 2007 asp 3, Sch. 5 par. 18(a)(i) comes into force, and (b) in relation to England and Wales, immediately after 2007 asp 3, Sch. 5 par. 18(a)(i) extends to England and Wales. See S.I. 2008/2675, art. 2)
- s. 39B(3)(b)(c) words substituted by [2010 c. 40 Sch. para. 7\(2\)](#)
- s. 39C(1)-(1B) substituted for s. 39C(1) by [2009 c. 24 s. 51\(3\)](#)
- s. 39E(1A) inserted by [2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 5\(3\)](#)

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- s. 39F(2)(e) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 6 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 100(4)</a></li><li>- s. 39F(2)(f) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 Sch. 5 para. 6 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 100(4)</a></li><li>- s. 39H-39Q inserted by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 s. 28</a></li><li>- s. 39H(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(2)(a)</a></li><li>- s. 39H(2)-(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(2)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 39K(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)</a></li><li>- s. 39K(4)(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)</a></li><li>- s. 39K(6) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(3)</a></li><li>- s. 39M(2)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(4)</a></li><li>- s. 39N(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(5)</a></li><li>- s. 39N(7)(8) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(5)</a></li><li>- s. 39P(2)(g) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(6)</a></li><li>- s. 39Q(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 28 by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 81(7)</a></li><li>- s. 39CA39CB inserted by <a href="#">2009 c. 24 s. 51(4)</a></li><li>- s. 39CA(11) omitted by <a href="#">S.I. 2015/583 Sch. 2 para. 7</a></li><li>- s. 39CB(5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(4) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(4)(a)</a></li><li>- s. 39CB(6)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(4) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(4)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 39DA heading amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(a)</a></li><li>- s. 39DA inserted by <a href="#">2009 c. 24 s. 51(5)</a></li><li>- s. 39DA(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 39DA(2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(c)</a></li><li>- s. 39DA(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24 s. 51(5) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 99(5)(d)</a></li><li>- s. 40(2A) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(a)</a></li><li>- s. 40(2A)-(2D) inserted by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 s. 29(1)</a></li><li>- s. 40(2B) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 40(2D)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(1) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(2)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 40(10)-(10C) substituted for s. 40(10) by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 s. 29(2)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(A1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(3)(a)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(A2) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(3)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(A1)-(A4) inserted by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 s. 29(3)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(A4)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 29(3) by <a href="#">S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 82(3)(b)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(6)(a) words in s. 40A(6) renumbered as s. 40A(6)(a) by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(14)</a></li><li>- s. 40A(6)(b) inserted by <a href="#">2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1(14)</a></li></ul> |
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- s. 40A(7A)-(7D) inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 29\(4\)](#)
- s. 40B(A1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(2\)](#)
- s. 40B(A3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(3\)](#)
- s. 40B(A1)-(1) substituted for heading and s. 40B(1) by [2008 c. 6 s. 30\(1\)](#)
- s. 40B(A5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 30(1) by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 83\(3\)](#)
- s. 40B(10)-(10C) substituted for s. 40B(10) by [2008 c. 6 s. 30\(2\)](#)
- s. 40B(13) inserted by [2008 c. 6 Sch. 7 para. 1\(18\)](#)
- s. 49A inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 34](#)
- s. 49A(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(2\)](#)
- s. 49A(2)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(3\)](#)
- s. 49A(3) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(4\)](#)
- s. 49A(4) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(5\)](#)
- s. 49A(5)(a) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(8)(b) words inserted by [2023 c. 24 s. 3\(4\)](#)
- s. 49A(9)(d) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(10)(b) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49A(10)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 34 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 86\(6\)](#)
- s. 49B49C inserted by [2008 c. 6 s. 39](#)
- s. 49B(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 49B(1) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 49B(2)(c) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(3\)](#)
- s. 49B(3)(b) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2008 c. 6 s. 39 by [S.I. 2012/2007 Sch. para. 87\(3\)](#)
- s. 50(5)(da) inserted by [S.I. 2008/2833 Sch. 3 para. 95\(e\)](#)
- s. 52(2A)(aa) inserted by [2023 c. 35 s. 4\(4\)](#)