
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1983 No. 1964

The Adoption Agencies Regulations 1983

Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Adoption Agencies Regulations 1983 and shall come into operation on 27th May 1984.

(2) These regulations shall not apply to Scotland.

(3) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Adoption Act 1958;

“the 1975 Act” means the Children Act 1975;

“adoption agency” means an approved adoption society or local authority;

“adoption panel” means a panel established in accordance with regulation 5;

“prospective adopter” means a person who proposes to adopt a child.

(4) Any reference in these regulations to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except insofar as the context otherwise requires, be construed as including a reference to any provision which may re-enact or replace it, with or without modification.

(5) Any reference in these regulations to a numbered regulation or the Schedule is to the regulation bearing that number in or the Schedule to these regulations and any reference in a regulation or the Schedule to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in that regulation or the Schedule.