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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 3263**

**The Fostering of Children (Scotland) Regulations 1996**

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Regulations unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Children (Scotland) Act 1995(1);

“foster” means arrange for a child to live as a member of the family of a person who is not a parent, does not have parental responsibilities in respect of the child and who is not a relevant person in relation to the child and who undertakes to look after the child other than in accordance with the Adoption Agencies (Scotland) Regulations 1996(2);

“derivative approval” means approval by one local authority of a person as a foster carer under regulation 7(3) where that person is currently approved as such by another local authority;

“foster carer” means a person approved by a local authority in accordance with regulation 7;

“local authority” means a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994(3);

“looked after” has in respect of a local authority the meaning given to that term by section 17(6) of the Act;

“placement” means the provision of accommodation by a local authority for a child looked after by them by any of the means specified in section 26 of the Act;

“relevant person” has the meaning given to that term by section 93(2)(b) of the Act;

“supervision requirement” has the meaning given to that term by section 93(1) of the Act;

“voluntary organisation” has the meaning given to that term by section 93(1) of the Act.

(2) In these Regulations—

(a) any reference to a numbered regulation is to the regulation in these Regulations bearing that number and any reference in a regulation to a numbered paragraph is to the paragraph of that regulation bearing that number;

(b) any reference to a numbered Schedule is to the Schedule to these Regulations bearing that number.

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(1) 1995 c. 36.  
(2) S.I.1996/3266.  
(3) 1994 c. 39.