#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2005 No. 2720

The Adoption Support Agencies (England) and Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2005

## PART 4

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Notice of absence

- **26.**—(1) Where—
  - (a) the registered provider, if he is the person in day-to-day charge of the agency; or
  - (b) the registered manager,

proposes to be absent from the agency for a continuous period of 28 days or more the registered person shall give notice in writing to the registration authority of the proposed absence.

- (2) Except in the case of an emergency, the notice referred to in paragraph (1) shall be given no later than one month before the proposed absence is to start, or within such shorter period as may be agreed with the registration authority, and the notice shall specify—
  - (a) the length or expected length of the proposed absence;
  - (b) the reason for the proposed absence;
  - (c) the arrangements which have been made for the running of the agency during that absence;
  - (d) the name, address and qualifications of the person who will be responsible for the management of the agency during the absence; and
  - (e) the arrangements that have been made or are proposed to be made for appointing another person to manage the agency during the absence, including the proposed date by which the appointment is to start.
- (3) Where the absence arises as a result of an emergency, the registered person shall give notice of the absence within one week of its occurrence, specifying the matters mentioned in paragraph (2).
  - (4) Where—
    - (a) the registered provider, if he is the person in day-to-day charge of the agency; or
    - (b) the registered manager,

has been absent from the agency for a continuous period of 28 days or more, and the registration authority has not been given notice of the absence, the registered person shall without delay give notice in writing to the authority specifying the matters mentioned in paragraph (2).

(5) The registered person shall notify the registration authority of the return to duty of the registered provider or (as the case may be) the registered manager not later than 7 days after the date of his return.