
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 3341

**The Voluntary Adoption Agencies
(Amendment) Regulations 2005**

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Voluntary Adoption Agencies (Amendment) Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on 30th December 2005.

Amendment of the Voluntary Adoption Agencies and the Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2003

2.—(1) The Voluntary Adoption Agencies and the Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2003(1) are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 1(2) (interpretation)—

(a) for the definition of “agency” substitute—

““agency” means a registered adoption society(2);” and

(b) insert in the appropriate places—

““2002 Act” means the Adoption and Children Act 2002;” and

““adoption support services” means, in addition to the services set out in section 2(6) (a) of the 2002 Act, the services prescribed for the purposes of section 2(6)(b) of that Act—

(a) in relation to England, by the Secretary of State(3); and

(b) in relation to Wales, by the Assembly(4);”.

(3) In regulations 10(1)(a)(ii) (arrangements for the protection of children), 13(b)(ii) (staffing of agency) and 19(3) (notifiable events - definition of “approved by the agency”) for “Adoption Agencies Regulations 1983” substitute “Adoption Agencies Regulations 2005(5) or the Adoption Agencies (Wales) Regulations 2005(6)”.

(4) There is inserted after Part 4, the Part 4A set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

(5) In Schedule 1 (information to be included in statement of purpose) insert after paragraph 7—

(1) S.I.2003/367.

(2) See section 2(2) of the 2002 Act.

(3) See the services prescribed in regulation 3 of the Adoption Support Services Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/691, regulations 3(3) and 4 of the Adoption Information and Intermediary Services (Pre-Commencement Adoptions) Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/890 and regulation 3(1) of the Adoption Support Agencies (England) and Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/2720.

(4) See the services prescribed in regulation 3 of the Adoption Support Services (Local Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/1512 (W.116), regulation 2(2) of the Adoption Support Agencies (Wales) Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/1514 (W.118) and regulation 3(4) and 4 of the Adoption Information and Intermediary Services (Pre-Commencement Adoptions) (Wales) Regulations 2005, S.I. 2005/2701 (W.190).

(5) S.I. 2005/389.

(6) S.I. 2005/1313 (W.95).

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“7A. Where an agency may provide adoption support services a description of the adoption support services provided by the agency and the procedure for assessing needs for adoption support services.”

(6) In Schedule 3 (staff records) insert after paragraph 5—

“5A. Where an agency may provide adoption support services, qualifications relevant to, and experience of, working with adults and children receiving adoption support services.”

3rd December 2005

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Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998.

29th November 2005

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