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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 541**

The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015

**PART 2**

Quality standards and related matters

CHAPTER 2

Matters related to the quality standards

**Restraint and deprivation of liberty**

- 20.**—(1) Restraint in relation to a child is only permitted for the purpose of preventing—
- (a) injury to any person (including the child);
  - (b) serious damage to the property of any person (including the child); or
  - (c) a child who is accommodated in a secure children's home from absconding from the home.
- (2) Restraint in relation to a child must be necessary and proportionate.
- (3) These Regulations do not prevent a child from being deprived of liberty where that deprivation is authorised in accordance with a court order [<sup>F1</sup>or in accordance with an exercise of powers under Schedule 21 to the Coronavirus Act 2020].

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in reg. 20(3) inserted (temp.) (24.4.2020) by [The Adoption and Children \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/445\)](#), regs. 1(2), **11(4)** (with Pts. 12, 13)

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 24/04/2020. This version of this provision has been superseded.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Children's Homes (England) Regulations 2015, Section 20.