



# Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007

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## PART 1

### ADOPTION

#### CHAPTER 7

##### MISCELLANEOUS

###### *Adoption allowances*

### **71 Adoption allowances schemes**

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), an adoption agency which is—
  - (a) a local authority must, within such period after the coming into force of this section as the Scottish Ministers may by order direct, prepare an adoption allowances scheme,
  - (b) a registered adoption service may prepare such a scheme.
- (2) An adoption allowances scheme is a scheme for or in connection with the payment by the agency of allowances to any person who has adopted, or intends to adopt, a child in any case where arrangements for the adoption were made or, as the case may be, are to be made by the agency.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for or in connection with adoption allowances schemes.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) may in particular make provision for or in connection with specifying—
  - (a) the procedure to be followed by an agency in determining whether a person should be paid an allowance,
  - (b) the circumstances in which an allowance may be paid,
  - (c) the factors to be taken into account in determining the amount of an allowance,

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- (d) the procedure for review, variation and termination of allowances,
- (e) the information about allowances which is to be supplied by an agency to a person who intends to adopt a child, and
- (f) the procedure to be followed by an agency in preparing, modifying or revoking an adoption allowances scheme.