

1993 No. 104**FAMILY LAW****The Child Support Appeals (Jurisdiction of Courts) Order
(Northern Ireland) 1993**

Made 5th March 1993

Coming into operation 5th April 1993

To be laid before Parliament

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Article 42(1) and (4) of the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(a) hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Child Support Appeals (Jurisdiction of Courts) Order (Northern Ireland) 1993 and shall come into operation on 5th April 1993.

(2) In this Order “the Order” means the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991.

Parentage appeals

2. An appeal under Article 22 of the Order shall be made to a court of summary jurisdiction instead of to a child support appeal tribunal where:—

- (a) the decision against which the appeal is to be brought was made on the basis that a particular person (whether the appellant or some other person) either is, or is not, a parent of a child in question, and
- (b) the ground of the appeal will be that the decision should not have been made on that basis.

Modification of Article 22(2)–(4) in relation to appeals to a court of summary jurisdiction

3.—(1) In relation to an appeal which is to be made to a court of summary jurisdiction in accordance with this Order, the reference to the chairman of a child support appeal tribunal in Article 22(2) of the Order shall be construed as a reference to the court.

(a) S.I. 1991/2628 (N.I. 23)

(2) In relation to an appeal which has been made to a court of summary jurisdiction in accordance with this Order, the references to the tribunal in Article 22(3) and (4) of the Order shall each be construed as a reference to the court.

Dated 5th March 1993

Mackay of Clashfern, C.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order affects appeals against decisions of child support officers on reviews under Article 20 of the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991 and against decisions to refuse applications for such reviews. Article 22 of the Order provides for such appeals to be made to a child support appeal tribunal but this Order will require such appeals to be made to a court where they raise an issue of disputed parentage.