
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2010 No. 289

The Voluntary Adoption Agencies
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

PART I
GENERAL

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Order” means the Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003;

“agency” means a voluntary adoption agency;

“complaints procedure” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 12 (1);

“manager” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 7 (1) (a);

“organisation” means a body corporate;

“registered provider” means in relation to an agency, a person who is registered under Part III of the Order as the person carrying on the agency;

“RQIA” means the Health and Social Care Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority⁽¹⁾;

“responsible individual” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 6 (2);

“statement of purpose” means the written statement compiled in accordance with regulation 4 (1).

(2) In these Regulations, references to employing a person include employing a person whether or not for payment, and whether under a contract of service or a contract for services, and allowing a person to work as a volunteer, and references to an employee or to a person being employed shall be construed accordingly.

(1) Renamed under the [Health and Social Care Reform Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(c.1.\(N.I\)\)](#)