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The Additional Paternity Leave  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

PART 3

Additional paternity leave (adoption)

**Options in respect of leave under regulation 14**

**15.**—(1) P may choose to take leave under regulation 14 at any time within the period which begins 20 weeks after the date of C's placement for adoption and ends 12 months after that date.

(2) The minimum period of leave which may be taken is two weeks and the maximum period is 26 weeks.

(3) The leave must be taken in multiples of complete weeks and must be taken as one continuous period.

(4) The leave may not be taken until eight weeks after the date of P's leave notice under regulation 16(1).

(5) This regulation is subject to regulation 24 (disrupted placement or death of a child).