### SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Looked After Children (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2014

# Amendment of the Looked After Children (Scotland) Regulations 2009: Fostering placement limit

- **2.**—(1) The Looked After Children (Scotland) Regulations 2009(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 20(2)(c) (functions of the foster panel) after "time" insert ", subject to the placement limit set out in regulation 27A.".
- (3) In regulation 22(5)(d) (approval of foster carers) after "time" insert ", subject to the placement limit set out in regulation 27A.".
- (4) In regulation 27(1) (placement of child with foster carer) after sub-paragraph (b) insert—
  "; or
  - (c) the placement would result in the placement limit set out in regulation 27A being exceeded.".
  - (5) After regulation 27 insert—

#### "Placement limit

- **27A.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) a local authority must not place a child with a foster carer where the placement would result in more than 3 children being placed with that foster carer at any one time.
  - (2) The limit in paragraph (1) does not apply—
    - (a) when a group of more than 3 siblings are being placed by a local authority; or
    - (b) when an emergency placement of a child with a foster carer in accordance with regulation 36 or a short–term placement of less than 4 weeks would result in more than 3 children being placed with that foster carer."