



Guardianship of Minors Act 1971 ^{F1}

1971 CHAPTER 3

An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to the guardianship and custody of minors. [17th February 1971]

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

F1 Act repealed (EW NI) (14.10.1991) by Childrens Act 1989 (c. 41 , SIF20), s.108(7), Sch.15;SI 1991/828, art.3(2)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Act amended by [Guardianship Act 1973 \(c. 29\), s. 7](#)

C2 This Act has not been revised to 1.2.1991. It was repealed (E.W.NI) with effect from 14.10.1991 by [Children Act 1989 \(c. 41, SIF 20\), s. 108\(7\), Sch. 15](#). It is available as last published in Statutes in Force (revised to 1.3.1987)

General principles

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Appointment, removal and powers of guardians

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Orders for custody and maintenance

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Illegitimate children

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^{F36} Access to minors by grandparents]

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Jurisdiction and procedure

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Supplementary

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SCHEDULE 1

Section 18(1).

Annotations:

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C14** The text of Sch. 1 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and, except as specified, does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

[F66 Consequential Amendments

Annotations:

Extent Information

- E1** Act: so far as amends the [Maintenance Orders Act 1950 \(1950 c. 37\)](#) extends to Scotland; see [s. 20\(4\)](#)

Amendments (Textual)

- F66** Act repealed (E.W. N.I.) (14.10.1991) by [Childrens Act 1989 \(c. 41, SIF20\)](#), s. 108(7), [Sch. 15](#); [S.I. 1991/828](#), [art. 3\(2\)](#)

The Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1938 (1 & 2 Geo. 6 c. 63).	In section 15(4)(d) for the words “section ten of the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1886” there shall be substituted the words “section 16(1) and (2) of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971”.
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The Marriage Act 1949 (12 & 13 Geo. 6 c. 76).	In Schedule 2 for the words “section four of the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1925” there shall be substituted the words “section 3 or 5 of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971”.
The Maintenance Orders Act 1950 (14 Geo. 6 c. 37).	In section 15(1) after the words “this Part of this Act” there shall be inserted the words “or section 15 of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971”.
	In section 16(2) for paragraph (a)(iii) there shall be substituted— “(iii) section 9(2), 10(1) or 12(2) of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971;”
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The Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Protection of Civil Interests) Act 1951 (14 & 15 Geo. 6 c. 65).	In section 2(1)(d) for the words “subsection (2) of section three or subsection (4) of section five of the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1925” there shall be substituted the words “section 9(2), 10(1) or 12(2) of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971”.

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The Maintenance Orders Act 1958 (6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 39).	In section 21(1), in the definition of “maintenance order”, for paragraph (a)(iii) there shall be substituted:— “(iii) section 9(2), 10(1), 11 or 12(2) of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971;”.
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The County Courts Act 1959 (7 & 8 Eliz. 2 c. 22).	In section 205(5)(d) for the words “section ten of the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1886” there shall be substituted the words “section 16(1) and (2) of the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971”.
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<p>Annotations:</p> <hr/> <p>Amendments (Textual)</p> <p>F67 Sch. 1: entries repealed by Matrimonial Causes Act 1973 (c. 18, SIF 49:3), s. 54(1), Sch. 3, Guardianship Act 1973 (c. 29, SIF 49:9), Sch. 3, Legal Aid Act 1974 (c. 4, SIF 77:1), Sch. 5 Pt. I, Adoption Act 1976 (c. 36, SIF 49:11), Sch. 4, Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), Sch. 1 Pt. I and Supreme Court Act 1981 (c. 54, SIF 37), Sch. 7</p>
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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act, associated Parts and Chapters:

- Blanket Amendment words substituted by [2005 c. 4 Sch. 11 para. 1\(2\)](#)

Commencement Orders yet to be applied to the Guardianship of Minors Act 1971:

Commencement Orders bringing legislation that affects this Act into force:

- [S.I. 2009/1604 art. 2](#) commences ([2005 c. 4](#))