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## SCHEDULES

### <sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE 1

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Act repealed (except Pt. IV) (28.9.2009) by Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 4), s. 121(2), [sch. 3](#) (with savings by The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (Consequential Provisions) (No. 1) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/2233), [art. 2](#)); S.S.I. 2009/267, [arts. 1\(2\), 2](#) (with arts. 3-21) (as amended (7.5.2012) by S.S.I. 2012/99, [art. 2](#))

### <sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE 2

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## F1 SCHEDULE 4

Section 66.

## REPEALS

Chapter	Short Title	Extent of Repeal
1958 c. 5 (7 & 8 Eliz. 2).	Adoption Act 1958.	The whole Act.
1960 c. 59.	Adoption Act 1960.	The whole Act.
1964 c. 41.	Succession (Scotland) Act 1964.	Section 24(4).
1964 c. 57.	Adoption Act 1964.	The whole Act.
1965 c. 49.	Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965.	In Schedule 1, paragraphs 7 to 10.
1968 c. 49.	Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.	In Schedule 8, paragraphs 37 to 41.
1968 c. 53.	Adoption Act 1968.	The whole Act.
1969 c. 54.	Children and Young Persons Act 1969.	In Schedule 5, paragraphs 33 and 35.
1973 c. 65.	Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.	In Schedule 27, paragraph 142.
1975 c. 72.	Children Act 1975.	Sections 1 to 32. Section 100(4), (5) and (9). In section 102(1), the words "Part 1 except section 24(6) or " and paragraph (e). In section 107(1), the definitions of "approved adoption society", "British adoption order", "British territory", "the Convention", "Convention adoption order", "Convention country" and "United Kingdom national", and, in the definition of "guardian", paragraph (b). Section 107(2A). Section 108(5) and (6). In Schedule 2, paragraphs 1 to 4, 2(1), (2) and (4), 6(1) and (3), and 7. In Schedule 3, paragraphs 17, 21 to 40, 44, 45 and 61 to 65.
1976 c. 36.	Adoption Act 1976.	Sections 22 and 23. Section 21(3). Section 23(2). In section 74(3), the words from "except" to "Schedule 3". In Schedule 3, paragraphs 25 to 44.
1977 c. 45.	Criminal Law Act 1977.	In Schedule 12, the entry relating to the Adoption Act 1958.
1978 c. 22.	Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Act 1978.	Section 74(1) and (3). In section 90(2), the words "74(1) and (3)" and "17 and 18". In Schedule 2, paragraphs 17 and 18.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 17 restricted by [1999 c. 18 s. 16\(1\)](#)
- s. 50(1) words repealed by [2002 c. 38 s. 133\(1\)\(a\)Sch. 4](#)
- s. 50A substituted by [2002 c. 38 s. 133\(2\)](#)
- s. 52(1)(c) power to extend conferred by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 4 para. 16\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 65(1) words substituted by [2002 c. 38 s. 133\(3\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 50(4)(5) inserted by [2002 c. 38 s. 133\(1\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 56A restricted by [1999 c. 18 s. 16\(1\)](#)
- s. 65(2)-(2D) substituted for s. 65(2) by [2002 c. 38 s. 134](#)