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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 8

#### PRIVATELY FOSTERED CHILDREN

##### *Power of local authority to impose requirements*

- 6 (1) Where a person is fostering any child privately, or proposes to foster any child privately, the appropriate local authority may impose on him requirements as to—
- (a) the number, age and sex of the children who may be privately fostered by him;
  - (b) the standard of the accommodation and equipment to be provided for them;
  - (c) the arrangements to be made with respect to their health and safety; and
  - (d) particular arrangements which must be made with respect to the provision of care for them,
- and it shall be his duty to comply with any such requirement before the end of such period as the authority may specify unless, in the case of a proposal, the proposal is not carried out.
- (2) A requirement may be limited to a particular child, or class of child.
- (3) A requirement (other than one imposed under sub-paragraph (1)(a)) may be limited by the authority so as to apply only when the number of children fostered by the person exceeds a specified number.
- (4) A requirement shall be imposed by notice in writing addressed to the person on whom it is imposed and informing him of—
- (a) the reason for imposing the requirement;
  - (b) his right under paragraph 8 to appeal against it; and
  - (c) the time within which he may do so.
- (5) A local authority may at any time vary any requirement, impose any additional requirement or remove any requirement.
- (6) In this Schedule—
- (a) “the appropriate local authority” means—
    - (i) the local authority within whose area the child is being fostered; or
    - (ii) in the case of a proposal to foster a child, the local authority within whose area it is proposed that he will be fostered; and
  - (b) “requirement”, in relation to any person, means a requirement imposed on him under this paragraph.

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C1 Sch. 8 para. 6: power to amend conferred (15.1.2005) by the [Children Act 2004 \(c. 31\)](#), ss. 45-47

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#### **Commencement Information**

**II** Sch. 8 para. 6 wholly in force at 14.10.1991 see s. 108(2)(3) and S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**

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**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. 4(1A)(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21(3)
- s. 4(1C) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21(4)
- s. 4ZA(2)(aa) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22(3)
- s. 4ZA(3A) inserted by 2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22(4)
- s. 8(4)(k) inserted by 2021 c. 17 s. 52(1)
- s. 31A(4A) inserted by 2014 c. 6 s. 15(2)(b)