

# Adoption and Children Act 2002

## **2002 CHAPTER 38**

#### PART 1

**ADOPTION** 

### **CHAPTER 3**

PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION AND ADOPTION ORDERS

The making of adoption orders

# **Adoption by couple**

- (1) An adoption order may be made on the application of a couple where both of them have attained the age of 21 years.
- (2) An adoption order may be made on the application of a couple where—
  - (a) one of the couple is the mother or the father of the person to be adopted and has attained the age of 18 years, and
  - (b) the other has attained the age of 21 years.