

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Adoption Agencies Regulations 1983 (“the 1983 Regulations”) and apply to Wales.

Regulation 2 amends regulation 5A of the 1983 Regulations to provide that an adoption agency may extend the term of office of a member of an adoption panel whose term of office is his second consecutive term of office and is due to expire on or after 31st December 2003 for a further period of two years.

These Regulations do not impose a cost on business.