STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 1996 No. 297 (C. 17)

## **CHILDREN**

The Children (1995 Order) (Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996

Made - - - -

17th July 1996

In the exercise of the powers conferred on me by Article 1(2) and (3) of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(1) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following Order:

#### **Citation and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Children (1995 Order) (Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996.

(2) In this Order, "the 1995 Order" means the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995.

#### Provisions of the 1995 Order brought into operation by this Order

**2.**—(1) For the purposes of authorising the making of orders, regulations and rules of court, the day appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of the 1995 Order specified in Schedule 1 is the day following the date on which this Order is made.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), the provisions of the 1995 Order not already in operation on 4th November 1996 shall come into operation on that day.

(3) Paragraph (2) shall not have effect in relation to the provisions of the 1995 Order specified in Schedule 2.

#### Day appointed for the coming into operation of the Children (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1995

**3.** The day appointed for the coming into operation of the provisions of the Children (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1995(**2**) is 4th November 1996.

<sup>(1)</sup> S.I.1995/755 (N.I. 2)

<sup>(</sup>**2**) S.I. 1995/756

Northern Ireland Office 7th July 1996 *P. B. B. Mayhew* One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

#### SCHEDULE 1

Article 2(1)

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Article 71	Rules of court and regulations in relation to emergency protection proceedings	
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Article 74(2)( <i>h</i> )	Definition of voluntary children's home	
Article 75	Provision of accommodation by voluntary organisations	
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Article 138(5) and (7)	Granting of licences for children to take part in public performances
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Article 159(5) and (6)	Appointment of a guardian of the fortune or estate of a child
Article 162(2)	Disclaimer of appointment by a parent or guardian
Article 165	Rules of court
Article 166(4), (11) and (14)	Appeals against periodical payments orders and the transfer of proceedings to another court
Article 167(3)	Attendance at court
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Article 172(2) and (4)	Legal aid, advice and assistance
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Article 180(2)	Transfer of prescribed orders with the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands
Article 182	Temporary exercise of functions of authorities by the Department
Paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 1, and Article 15(1) in so far as it relates to it	Provisions relating to lump sums
Paragraph 10 of Schedule 3, and Article 54(2) in so far as it relates to it	Functions of an authority under a supervision order
Paragraphs 4(5) and 6(2) of Schedule 5, and Article 91(4) in so far as it relates to them	Exemptions from usual fostering limit and representations and complaints procedures
Schedule 7 and Article 164(5) in so far as it relates to it	Jurisdiction — proceedings and appeals

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#### SCHEDULE 2

Article 2(3)

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The following paragraphs of Schedule 9 and Article 185(1) in so far as it relates to them—	Consequential amendments
paragraph 17	Amendment to the Maintenance and Affiliation Orders Act (Northern Ireland) 1966
paragraph 109	Amendment to the Domestic Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1980
The following repeals in Schedule 10 and Article 185(2) in so far as it relates to them—	Repeals
the Domestic Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1980( <b>3</b> ), Articles 25(1) and 26	Variation and revocation of orders

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order).

This Order provides for the coming into operation on the day following the date on which the Order is made of provisions in the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 ("the 1995 Order") authorising the making of orders, regulations or rules of court.

The Order also provides for the coming into operation on 4th November 1996 of the remaining provisions of the 1995 Order not already in operation, except for those provisions specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

It also provides for the coming into operation on 4th November 1996 of the Children (Northern Ireland Consequential Amendments) Order 1995.

### NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order.)

The following provisions of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 have been brought into operation by commencement orders made before the date of this Order:—

<sup>(</sup>**3**) S.I. 1980/563 (N.I. 5)

Provision	Date of commencement	S.R. Number
Articles 1 and 2	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
Article 60(7) and (8)	19th February 1996	1996 No. 15 (C. 2)
Articles 155 to 157 and		
Schedule 6	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
Article 183	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
Article 184(1) and		
Schedule 8 (partially)	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
Article 184(2)	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
Article 185(1) and		
Schedule 9 (partially)	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)
(partially)	19th February 1996	1996 No. 15 (C. 2)
Article 185(2) and		
Schedule 10 (partially)	1st July 1995	1995 No. 248 (C. 3)