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2022 CHAPTER 18

PART 1

Adoption

CHAPTER 5

Registers

Adopted Children Register, etc.

PROSPECTIVE

Searches and copies

77.—(1) The Registrar General must continue to maintain at the General Register Office an index of the Adopted Children Register.

(2) Any person may—

(a) search the index;

(b) have a certified copy of any entry in the Adopted Children Register.

(3) But a person is not entitled to have a certified copy of an entry in the Adopted Children Register relating to an adopted person who has not attained the age of 18 years unless the applicant has provided the Registrar General with the prescribed particulars.

(4) The terms, conditions and regulations as to payment of fees, and otherwise, applicable under the Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 in respect of—

(a) searches in indexes kept in the General Register Office;

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(b) the supply from that Office of certified copies of entries in the registers of live-births,
also apply in respect of searches, and supplies of certified copies, under subsection (2).

Commencement Information

II S. 77 not in operation at Royal Assent, see **s. 160(1)**

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

- Act applied (with modifications) by S.I. 2018/412, Sch. 3 (as substituted) by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 83](#)