
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**The Foster Placement (Children)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Part III

Records

Case records for foster parents and others with whom a child is placed

13.—(1) An approving authority shall compile (if one is not already established) and maintain a record for each foster parent whom it has approved under regulation 3.

(2) An authority shall compile (if one is not already established) and maintain a record for each person, not being an approved foster parent, with whom a child is placed by it pursuant to regulation 11.

(3) Each record compiled under paragraph (1) or (2) shall include copies of each of the documents specified in paragraph (4) and the information specified in paragraph (5).

(4) The documents referred to in paragraph (3) are, as the case may be,—

- (a) the notice of approval under regulation 3(6)(a);
- (b) the agreement under regulation 3(6)(b) and Schedule 2;
- (c) any report of the review of approval under regulation 4(3);
- (d) any notice of termination of approval under regulation 4(3) or (5);
- (e) any agreement specified in regulation 11(3)(b).

(5) The information referred to in paragraph (3) is, as the case may be,—

- (a) a record of each placement with the foster parent or person, not being an approved foster parent, with whom a child is placed pursuant to regulation 11, including the name, age and sex of each child placed, the dates on which each placement began and terminated and the circumstances of the termination;
- (b) the information obtained by the approving authority in relation to the approval of the foster parent and in relation to any review of termination of the approval;
- (c) the information obtained under regulation 11(3).

(6) An approving authority shall compile a record for each prospective foster parent to whom notice is given under regulation 3(7) that he is not approved as a foster parent, the record to include a copy of the notice and the information, as to the foster parent and his household and family, obtained by the approving authority in connection with the question of approval.