



Adoption Act 1976

1976 CHAPTER 36

PART IV

STATUS OF ADOPTED CHILDREN

41 Adoptive relatives

A relationship existing by virtue of section 39 may be referred to as an adoptive relationship, and—

- (a) a male adopter may be referred to as the adoptive father;
- (b) a female adopter may be referred to as the adoptive mother;
- (c) any other relative of any degree under an adoptive relationship may be referred to as an adoptive relative of that degree,

but this section does not prevent the term "parent", or any other term not qualified by the word "adoptive" being treated as including an adoptive relative.