
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force various provisions of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 (“the Act”).

Article 3(1) of the Order brings into force on 1st September 1996 section 4 of the Act but only for the purpose of enabling regulations to be made under that section to come into force on 1st November 1996.

Article 3(2) of the Order brings into force on 1st October 1996 section 91 of the Act (procedural rules in the sheriff court in relation to applications under Part II of the Act).

Article 3(3) of, and the Schedule to, the Order bring into force on 1st November 1996 the provisions listed in that Schedule, insofar as they are not then in force. These are mainly concerned with Part I of the Act and related provisions in Part II (sections 54 and 93), together with consequential amendments to the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978 in Schedule 2 to the Act, certain transitional and savings provisions in Schedule 3 to the Act and minor and consequential amendments and repeals in Schedules 4 and 5 to the Act.

Articles 4 to 7 make transitional provisions.