
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Consequent on the commencement of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, this Order updates relevant references in the following statutory instruments—

- (i) the Data Protection (Miscellaneous Subject Access Exemptions) Order 2000 and the Data Protection (Subject Access Modification) (Social Work) Order 2000, which relate to subject access requests under the Data Protection Act 1998 (article 2);
- (ii) four statutory instruments that relate to the Community Legal Service, to include proceedings under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 within the definition of family proceedings and add a reference to placement orders (article 3);
- (iii) the Non-Contentious Probate Rules 1987 to reflect the additional means by which a step-parent may acquire parental responsibility and the introduction of special guardianship orders (article 4);
- (iv) the NHS Bodies and Local Authorities Partnership Arrangements Regulations 2000 (article 5); and
- (v) the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults and Care Standards Tribunal Regulations 2002 (article 6).

Article 7 amends article 16 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (Commencement No. 10 Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2005 by adding Part 4A to the Parts of the Voluntary Adoption Agencies and Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2003⁽¹⁾.

(1) [S.I. 2003/367](#). Part 4A was inserted by regulation 2(4) of, and the Schedule to, the Voluntary Adoption Agencies (Amendment) Regulations 2005 ([S.I. 2005/3341](#)).