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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Children Act 1989 Representations  
Procedure (England) Regulations 2006

PART 5

Representations to voluntary organisations and about fostering limits

**Requirement on voluntary organisations to consider representations**

**21.** Every voluntary organisation who are providing accommodation for a child are required to consider in accordance with regulation 22 any representations (including any complaint) made to them by—

- (a) any child, other than one who is looked after by a local authority, who is being provided with accommodation by them;
- (b) any parent of his;
- (c) any person who is not a parent of his but who has parental responsibility for him; or
- (d) such other person as they consider has a sufficient interest in the child's welfare to warrant his representations being considered by them.

**Procedure for considering representations made to voluntary organisations**

**22.**—(1) Regulations 2, 6 to 12, and 14 to 20 will apply in relation to representations made to voluntary organisations under regulation 21 with the modifications listed in paragraph (2).

(2) The modifications are—

- (a) for any reference in those regulations to “local authority” there is substituted a reference to “voluntary organisation”;
- (b) all references in those regulations to advocates are omitted;
- (c) in regulation 2—
  - (i) for the definition of “complainant” there are substituted the words “a person making representations to a voluntary organisation which stand to be considered by them under a procedure established under section 59 of the Act”;
  - (ii) for the definition of “independent person” there are substituted the words—

“in relation to representations made to a voluntary organisation a person who is not—

    - (a) an officer of that organisation;
    - (b) engaged in any way in furthering the objects of that organisation; or
    - (c) the spouse or civil partner of a person mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) or (b)”;

- (d) in regulations 12 and 14 for the words “section 26(3)(e), (3B)(b) or (3C)(c)” there are substituted the words “regulation 21(d)”.

**Consideration of representations under paragraph 6 of Schedule 7 to the Act**

**23.**—(1) Regulations 2, 6 to 11 and 13 to 20 will apply in relation to a local authority’s consideration of representations under paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 7 to the Act (which is concerned with limits on the number of children a person may foster) with the modification set out in paragraph (2).

(2) The modification is that in regulation 2 for the definition of “complainant” there are substituted the words “a person making representations to a local authority which stand to be considered by them under a procedure established under paragraph 6 of Schedule 7 to the Act”.