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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2010 No. 2955**

**The Family Procedure Rules 2010**

**[<sup>F1</sup>PART 3A**

**VULNERABLE PERSONS: PARTICIPATION  
IN PROCEEDINGS AND GIVING EVIDENCE**

**[<sup>F1</sup>Application of provisions in this Part**

**3A.2.**—(1) Rule 3A.4 does not apply to a party who is a child.

(2) Rules 3A.3 to 3A.5 do not apply to a party who is a protected party.

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<sup>F2</sup>(3) Rules 3A.3 to 3A.5 do not apply to a party or witness who—

(a) falls within the assumption set out at rule 3A.2A(1); and

(b) has not made a request of a kind referred to in rule 3A.2A(2).]]

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**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Pt. 3A inserted (27.11.2017) by [The Family Procedure \(Amendment No. 3\) Rules 2017 \(S.I. 2017/1033\)](#), rules 1, 3

**F2** Rule 3A.2(3) inserted (1.10.2021) by [The Family Procedure \(Amendment No. 2\) Rules 2021 \(S.I. 2021/875\)](#), rules 1, 4; S.I. 2021/1038, reg. 2(d)

### **Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made by the legislation.gov.uk editorial team to The Family Procedure Rules 2010. Any changes that have already been made by the team appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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### **Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Rules applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2018/1125 reg. 8](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2018/1125, reg. 8 omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Act 2020 (c. 24), s. 4(3), Sch. 5 para. 4(4))
- rule 3.10(1)(1A) substituted for rule 3.10(1) by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 14\(b\)](#)
- rule 3.4(1)(1A) substituted for rule 3.4(1) by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 7\(b\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(c)(ii)(ad) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(c\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(ai) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(i\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(i) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(i) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(iii) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(iv\)\(aa\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(iii) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(iv\)\(cc\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(iii) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(iv\)\(bb\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(iii) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(iv\)\(dd\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(k)(ii) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(g\)\(iii\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(l) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(h\)\(i\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(l) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(h\)\(ii\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(l)(i) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(h\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(l)(i) words substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(h\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(m) omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(i\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(n) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(j\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(ai) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(i\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(i) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(ii\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(ii) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(ii) word substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(iii\)\(cc\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(ii) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(o)(ii) words omitted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(k\)\(iii\)\(dd\)](#)
- rule 3.8(1)(p) substituted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 11\(l\)](#)
- rule 3.3(1A) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 6\(a\)](#)
- rule 3.4(2)-(2B) substituted for rule 3.4(2) by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 7\(c\)](#)
- rule 3.9(2)(e)(f) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 13\(d\)](#)
- rule 3.10(3)(ba) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 14\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- rule 3.10(3)(ca) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 14\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- rule 28.3(7)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2023/1324 rule 19](#)