
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Adoption Agencies (Wales) Regulations 2005

PART 3

**DUTIES OF ADOPTION AGENCY WHERE THE
AGENCY IS CONSIDERING ADOPTION FOR A CHILD**

Request to appoint a Welsh family proceedings officer or an officer of CAFCASS

20.—(1) Where the parent or guardian of the child is prepared to consent to the placement of the child for adoption under section 19 of the Act (placing children with parental consent) and, as the case may be, to consent to the making of a future adoption order under section 20 of the Act (advance consent to adoption), the adoption agency must request the National Assembly to appoint one of its Welsh family proceedings officers⁽¹⁾ or, where the child is ordinarily resident in England, the CAFCASS to appoint one of its officers for the purposes of their signification of the consent to placement or adoption and send with that request the information specified in Schedule 2.

(2) The adoption agency must keep on the case record with respect to the child maintained in accordance with regulation 12 —

- (a) the consent form duly signed by the parent or guardian and witnessed by the Welsh family proceedings officer or the officer of CAFCASS;
- (b) any notice given to the agency under section 20(4)(a) of the Act (statement of a wish not to be informed of any application for an adoption order); and
- (c) the withdrawal of any consent or statement given under sections 19 or 20 of the Act.

⁽¹⁾ See section 35(4) of the Children Act 2004 c. 31.