

SCHEDULE 3

Regulations 2 and 11(2)(e)

Matters and obligations in foster care agreements

1. Matters to be recorded—

- (a) the terms of the foster parent's approval,
- (b) support and training to be given to the foster parent,
- (c) the procedure for the review of approval of a foster parent,
- (d) the procedure in connection with the placement of children,
- (e) the arrangements for meeting any legal liabilities of the foster parent arising by reason of a placement,
- (f) the procedure available to foster parents for making complaints and representations.

2. Obligations on the foster parent—

- (a) to care for any child placed with them as if the child was a member of the foster parent's family and to promote that child's welfare having regard to the long and short term plans for the child,
- (b) to give written notice to the fostering services provider without delay, with full particulars, of—
 - (i) any intended change of the foster parent's address,
 - (ii) any change in the composition of the household,
 - (iii) any other change in the foster parent's personal circumstances and any other event affecting either their capacity to care for any child placed or the suitability of household, and
 - (iv) any request or application to adopt children, or for registration for child minding or day care under Part 2 of the Children and Families (Wales) Measure 2010,
- (c) not to administer corporal punishment to any child placed with the foster parent,
- (d) to ensure that any information relating to a child placed with the foster parent, to the child's family or to any other person, which has been given to them in confidence in connection with a placement, is kept confidential and is not disclosed to any person without the consent of the fostering services provider,
- (e) to provide care and support to a child placed with the foster parent in accordance with the child's care and support plan and in a way which maintains, protects and promotes the safety and well-being of the child,
- (f) to maintain a good personal and professional relationship with a child placed with the foster parent,
- (g) not to deprive the liberty of any child placed with the foster parent without lawful authority,
- (h) to promote contact between a child placed with a foster parent and the child's parents, relatives and friends, in accordance with the child's care and support plan and any court order relating to contact,
- (i) to comply with the policies and procedures of the fostering services provider,
- (j) to promote the health and development of a child placed with a foster parent,
- (k) to ensure that the premises, facilities and equipment used by foster parents are—
 - (i) suitable and safe for the purpose for which they are intended to be used,
 - (ii) used in a safe way,
 - (iii) properly maintained, and

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- (iv) kept clean to a standard which is appropriate for the purpose for which they are being used,
- (l) to co-operate as reasonably required with the Welsh Ministers and in particular to allow a person authorised by the Welsh Ministers to interview the foster parent and visit the foster parent's home at any reasonable time,
- (m) to keep the fostering services provider informed about the child's progress and to notify it as soon as is reasonably practicable of any significant events affecting the child.

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