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# SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 17

### STORAGE OF GAMETES AND EMBRYOS

#### PART 2

##### TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

###### *Interpretation*

- 8 (1) In this Part of this Schedule—
- “the commencement day” means 1 July 2022;
  - “the transitional period” means the period beginning with the commencement day and ending with 30 June 2024.
- (2) In this Part of this Schedule—
- “the 1990 Act” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990;
  - “the 2009 Regulations” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos and Gametes) Regulations 2009 ([S.I. 2009/1582](#));
  - “the 2020 Regulations” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos and Gametes) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020 ([S.I. 2020/566](#)).
- (3) In this Part of this Schedule—
- “gamete storage licence” means a licence under Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act that authorises the storage of gametes;
  - “embryo storage licence” means a licence under Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act that authorises the storage of embryos;
  - “storage licence” means a licence under Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act that authorises the storage of gametes, embryos or human admixed embryos;
  - “pre-commencement”, in relation to a storage licence, or a storage licence of any description, means granted before the commencement day and “post-commencement” means granted on or after that day.
- (4) In this Part of this Schedule—
- “statutory storage period” has the same meaning as in the 1990 Act immediately before the commencement day;
  - references to gametes, embryos and human admixed embryos have the same meaning as in that Act;
  - “the training purpose”, “the research purpose” and “treatment purposes” have the same meanings as in section 14(3)(c) of that Act.

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#### Commencement Information

**II** [Sch. 17 para. 8](#) in force at 1.7.2022, see [s. 186\(3\)](#)

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- Sch. 17 para. 8 applied by [S.I. 2024/625 reg. 1\(3\)](#)