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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 1412**

The Human Fertilisation and Embryology  
(Parental Orders) Regulations 2018

**Citation, commencement, extent and interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Parental Orders) Regulations 2018 and come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

(2) Any provision of these Regulations which applies an enactment with modifications has the same extent as the enactment to which it relates.

(3) Subject to paragraph (2), these Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

(4) In these Regulations—

“the 2002 Act” means the Adoption and Children Act 2002(1);

“the 2007 Act” means the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007(2);

“the 2008 Act” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008;

“the 1987 Order” means the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987(3).

(5) In these Regulations “parental order” means an order under section 54(4) (parental orders: two applicants) or 54A(5) (parental orders: one applicant) of the 2008 Act.

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(1) 2002 c. 38.

(2) 2007 asp 4.

(3) S.I. 1987/2203 (N.I. 22).

(4) Section 54 was amended by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008 (Remedial) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018.000). Other amendments have been made, but those amendments are not relevant to this instrument.

(5) Section 54A was inserted by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008 (Remedial) Order 2018.