

# Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007

## PART 1

**ADOPTION** 

#### **CHAPTER 2**

THE ADOPTION PROCESS

Adoption records

## 37 Information to be kept about adoptions

The Scottish Ministers may make regulations for or in connection with specifying—

- (a) the information which an adoption agency must keep in relation to adoptions, and
- (b) the form and manner in which it must keep the information.

# 38 Disclosure of information kept under relevant enactment

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for or in connection with the disclosure by adoption agencies to adopted persons and other persons of a description or descriptions specified in the regulations of information kept by virtue of a relevant enactment.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may in particular include provision—
  - (a) in circumstances specified in the regulations, conferring discretion on adoption agencies as to whether to disclose or withhold information,
  - (b) specifying conditions which are to apply in relation to the disclosure of information, or information of a type so specified, to adopted persons of a description or descriptions so specified,

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (c) specifying circumstances in which information should not be disclosed to adopted persons of a description or descriptions so specified,
- (d) about the review of decisions of adoption agencies in connection with—
  - (i) the disclosure of information,
  - (ii) the conditions applicable to such disclosure.
- (3) In this section, "relevant enactment" means—
  - (a) section 37, or
  - (b) any other enactment (whether or not in force) which imposes a requirement (however expressed) to keep records relating to adoptions.