



# Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 2007 asp 4

## PART 1

### ADOPTION

#### CHAPTER 7

##### MISCELLANEOUS

###### *Adoption allowances*

### 71 Adoption allowances schemes

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), an adoption agency which is—
  - (a) a local authority must, within such period after the coming into force of this section as the Scottish Ministers may by order direct, prepare an adoption allowances scheme,
  - (b) a registered adoption service may prepare such a scheme.
- (2) An adoption allowances scheme is a scheme for or in connection with the payment by the agency of allowances to any person who has adopted, or intends to adopt, a child in any case where arrangements for the adoption were made or, as the case may be, are to be made by the agency.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for or in connection with adoption allowances schemes.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) may in particular make provision for or in connection with specifying—
  - (a) the procedure to be followed by an agency in determining whether a person should be paid an allowance,
  - (b) the circumstances in which an allowance may be paid,
  - (c) the factors to be taken into account in determining the amount of an allowance,

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- (d) the procedure for review, variation and termination of allowances,
- (e) the information about allowances which is to be supplied by an agency to a person who intends to adopt a child, and
- (f) the procedure to be followed by an agency in preparing, modifying or revoking an adoption allowances scheme.

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#### **Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 71(1)(a)(3)(4) in force at 20.4.2009 for specified purposes by [S.S.I. 2009/147](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch.](#)
- I2** S. 71(1)(a)(3)(4) in force at 28.9.2009 in so far as not already in force by [S.S.I. 2009/267](#), [arts. 1\(2\), 2](#) (with [arts. 3-21](#)) (as amended (7.5.2012) by [S.S.I. 2012/99](#), [art. 2](#))
- I3** S. 71(1)(b)(2) in force at 28.9.2009 by [S.S.I. 2009/267](#), [arts. 1\(2\), 2](#) (with [arts. 3-21](#)) (as amended (7.5.2012) by [S.S.I. 2012/99](#), [art. 2](#))

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 14(3A) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 30\(5\)](#)
- s. 14(4A)-(4C) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 2\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 84(5A)(5B) inserted by [2020 asp 16 s. 2\(3\)\(c\)](#)