



Adoption Act 1976

1976 CHAPTER 36

PART III

CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AWAITING ADOPTION

Restrictions on removal of children

^{F1}27 Restrictions on removal where adoption agreed or application made under s. 18.

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Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 1-37 repealed (30.12.2005) by [Adoption and Children Act 2002 \(c. 38\)](#), s. 148(1), [Sch. 5](#) (with [Sch. 4 paras. 2, 6-8](#)); S.I. 2005/2897, [art. 2\(b\)](#)

^{F1}28 Restrictions on removal where applicant has provided home for 5 years.

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^{F1}29 Return of child taken away in breach of s. 27 or 28.

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F130 Return of children placed for adoption by adoption agencies.

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F131 Application of s. 30 where child not placed for adoption.

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Protected children

F132 Meaning of “protected child”.

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F133 Duty of local authorities to secure well-being of protected children.

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- F2** S. 34 repealed (14.10.1991) by Children Act 1989 (c. 41, SIF 20), s. 108, **Sch.15** (with Sch. 14 paras. 1(1), 27(4)); S.I. 1991/828, **art. 3(2)**

^{F1}35 Notices and information to be given to local authorities.

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^{F1}36 Offences relating to protected children.

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^{F1}37 Miscellaneous provisions relating to protected children.

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

- Blanket Amendment words substituted by [2005 c. 4 Sch. 11 para. 1\(2\)](#) (Amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The relevant references were repealed before the amendment came into force.)

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

- s. 3(6A)(6B) inserted by [1999 c. 18 s. 10](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 10 repealed (30.4.2003 for W., 1.6.2003 for E.) without ever being in force by 2000 c. 14, ss. 117(2), 122, Sch. 6; S.I. 2003/501, art. 2(3)(b); S.I. 2003/365, art. 3(6)(a))
- s. 13(4) inserted by [1999 c. 18 s. 11](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 11 ceases to have effect (E.W.) (30.12.2005) by virtue of 2002 c. 38, ss. 139, 148(1), Sch. 3 para. 95 (with Sch. 4 paras. 6-8); S.I. 2005/2213, art. 2(o))
- s. 52(1)(c) power to extend conferred by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 4 para. 16\(1\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 52(1A) inserted by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 4 para. 15\(a\)](#)
- s. 56(4)-(6) inserted by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 4 para. 11\(b\)](#)