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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

REGISTRATION OF ADOPTIONS

Registration of other adoptions

- 3 (1) If the Registrar General is satisfied, on an application under this paragraph, that he has sufficient particulars relating to a child adopted under a registrable foreign adoption to enable an entry to be made in the Adopted Children Register for the child he must make the entry accordingly.
- (2) If he is also satisfied that an entry in the registers of live-births or other records relates to the child, he must—
- (a) secure that the entry is marked “Adopted”, followed by the name, in brackets, of the country in which the adoption was effected, or
 - (b) where appropriate, secure that the overseas registers of births are so marked.
- (3) An application under this paragraph must be made, in the prescribed manner, by a prescribed person and the applicant must provide the prescribed documents and other information.
- (4) An entry made in the Adopted Children Register by virtue of this paragraph must be made in the prescribed form.
- (5) In this Schedule “registrable foreign adoption” means an adoption which satisfies prescribed requirements and is either—
- (a) adoption under a Convention adoption, or
 - (b) adoption under an overseas adoption.
- (6) In this paragraph—
- (a) “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Registrar General with the approval of [^{F1}the Secretary of State],
 - (b) “overseas register of births” includes—
 - (i) a register made under regulations made by the Secretary of State under section 41(1)(g), (h) or (i) of the British Nationality Act 1981 (c. 61),
 - (ii) a record kept under an Order in Council made under section 1 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Special Provisions) Act 1957 (c. 58) (other than a certified copy kept by the Registrar General).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 1 para. 3(6)(a) substituted (3.4.2008) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Registration\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/678\)](#), art. 1(2), [Sch. 2 para. 12\(f\)](#) (with art. 4)

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 1 para. 3(6)(a): transfer of functions (3.4.2008) by [The Transfer of Functions \(Registration\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/678\)](#), [art. 1\(2\)](#), **Sch. 1 para. 12(f)** (with [art. 4](#))

Commencement Information

- I1** Sch. 1 para. 3 in force at 7.12.2004 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2004/3203](#), **art. 2(1)(m)(vi)**
- I2** Sch. 1 para. 3 in force at 30.12.2005 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2005/2213](#), **art. 2(e)** (with savings and transitional provisions in [S.I. 2005/2897](#), arts. 3-16)

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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. 4A inserted by [2014 c. 6 s. 5](#)
- s. 141(7) inserted by [2010 c. 26 Sch. 3 para. 13](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 3 Pt. 2 repealed (4.9.2013) without ever being in force by [2013 c. 22, s. 17\(4\)](#) ; [S.I. 2013/2200 art. 2\(a\)](#))