



# Adoption and Children Act 2002

## 2002 CHAPTER 38

### PART 1

#### ADOPTION

### CHAPTER 3

#### PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION AND ADOPTION ORDERS

##### *Disclosure of information in relation to a person's adoption*

#### **64 Other provision to be made by regulations**

- (1) Regulations may make provision for the purposes of this group of sections, including provision as to—
  - (a) the performance by adoption agencies of their functions,
  - (b) the manner in which information may be received, and
  - (c) the matters mentioned below in this section.
- (2) Regulations may prescribe—
  - (a) the manner in which agreements made by virtue of section 57(5) are to be recorded,
  - (b) the information to be provided by any person on an application for the disclosure of information under this group of sections.
- (3) Regulations may require adoption agencies—
  - (a) to give to prescribed persons prescribed information about the rights or opportunities to obtain information, or to give their views as to its disclosure, given by this group of sections,
  - (b) to seek prescribed information from, or give prescribed information to, the Registrar General in prescribed circumstances.

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- (4) Regulations may require the Registrar General—
- (a) to disclose to any person (including an adopted person) at his request any information which the person requires to assist him to make contact with the adoption agency which is the appropriate adoption agency in the case of an adopted person specified in the request (or, as the case may be, in the applicant's case),
  - (b) to disclose to the appropriate adoption agency any information which the agency requires about any entry relating to the adopted person on the Adoption Contact Register.
- (5) Regulations may provide for the payment of a prescribed fee in respect of the disclosure in prescribed circumstances of any information in pursuance of section 60, 61 or 62; but an adopted person may not be required to pay any fee in respect of any information disclosed to him in relation to any person who (but for his adoption) would be related to him by blood (including half-blood) [<sup>F1</sup>, marriage or civil partnership].
- (6) Regulations may provide for the payment of a prescribed fee by an adoption agency obtaining information under subsection (4)(b).

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 64(5) substituted (30.12.2005) by [Civil Partnership Act 2004 \(c. 33\)](#), **ss. 79(6)**, 263(2); [S.I. 2005/3175](#), **art. 2(9)**

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#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 64(1) applied (with modifications) (6.4.2010) by [The Human Fertilisation and Embryology \(Parental Orders\) Regulations 2010 \(S.I. 2010/985\)](#), **regs. 1(1), 2**, **Sch. 1**

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#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 64 in force at 7.2.2004 for W. by [S.I. 2004/252](#), **art. 2(b)**
- I2** S. 64 in force at 7.12.2004 for E. by [S.I. 2004/3203](#), **art. 2(1)(j)**

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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))