
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1255

The Registration of Foreign Adoptions Regulations 2003

Application

5.—(1) An application under paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the 1976 Act (entry of registrable foreign adoptions in Adopted Children Register) shall be made in the manner specified in this regulation.

(2) An application must be—

- (a) made in writing; and
- (b) signed by the person making the application.

(3) An application made in accordance with paragraph (2) shall be sent to the Registrar General together with—

- (a) in the case where the application is not in English or Welsh, a translation into English of that application;
- (b) in the case of a Convention adoption⁽¹⁾, the copy of the certificate sent to the adoptive parents by the relevant Central Authority in accordance with regulation 22 of the Intercountry Adoption (Hague Convention) Regulations 2003⁽²⁾; and
- (c) in the case of an overseas adoption⁽³⁾, the evidence in accordance with article 4 of the Adoption (Designation of Overseas Adoptions) Order 1973⁽⁴⁾, that the adoption has been effected.

(1) The term “Convention adoption” is defined in section 72(1) of the 1976 Act as amended by section 8 of the 1999 Act.

(2) [S.I. 2003/118](#).

(3) The term “overseas adoption” is given a meaning by virtue of section 72(2) of the 1976 Act as amended by paragraph 3(8) of Schedule 2 to the 1999 Act and section 87(1)(b) and (4) of the Adoption and Children Act 2002.

(4) [S.I. 1973/19](#); relevant amending instrument is [S.I. 1993/690](#).