

Adoption Orders

Parental Responsibility Rights

Parental Responsibility is the law's way of defining the responsibility and rights that parents have to their child. Effectively, parental responsibility provides the holder the right to be involved in the day-to-day management of the child's life, including education and welfare.



How do adoption orders work?



There are two types of adoption orders: closed and open.

A closed adoption order means that the natural family has no further involvement in the child's life.

An open adoption order means that some form of contact between the child and some or all members of their natural family will continue.

Both types of adoption order aim to provide a stable family environment for the child, with the aim of achieving successful integration into the new family life.

Rights after an adoption order has been granted

If an adoption order is granted, you receive the following parental rights and responsibilities:

- An adoption certificate this will replace the child's original birth certificate
- The child is entitled to the same rights as they would if they were your own birth child
- The adoption is permanent

The adoption order also removes the parental responsibility from:

- The birth parents of the child
- Any other person who had legal parental responsibility for the child

We're here for you

Our highly experienced specialists are here to answer any questions you have, putting your mind at ease and suggesting the right course of action. We put the best interests of the child at the centre of the case, working closely with you to understand the finer details of your individual situation.

Together we can work toward an adoption order with minimal disruption to the daily life, wellbeing and education of the child.

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