

Application for a placement order

Section 22 Adoption and Children Act 2002

Name of court	
Case no.	
Date received by the court	
Date issued	

Notes to applicants

- Before filling in this form, please read the guidance notes on completion.
- Please complete every item. If any item does not apply to your application, or you do not have the necessary information, please say so.
- If there is not enough room for your reply to any question, please continue on a separate sheet. Please put the child's name, the Part and the number of the question at the head of the continuation sheet.
- **Please do not include information about an adoption order for an adopted brother or sister that has been made or applied for.**
- **Please do not attach to this application copies of adoption orders for any adopted brother or sister.**
- Use black ink when filling in the form.

Part 1 About you

1) Title

☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐ Other _____

2) My name is

First name(s) in full

Last name

3) I am an authorised officer of (give name and address (including postcode) of local authority)

4) My telephone number is

5) My position in the local authority is

6) My solicitor in these proceedings is

Name of solicitor			
Name of firm			
Address (including postcode)			
Telephone no.		Fax no.	
DX no.			
E-mail address			

Part 2 About this application

7) I apply for an order authorising the said local authority to place (give name of child)

See Note 1

First name(s) in full

The child's address is

See Note 2

Last name

for adoption and give the following particulars in support of this application.

Grounds for the application

8) The grounds for this application are that the local authority are satisfied that the child should be placed for adoption and (please tick the further grounds that apply)

See Note 3

- ☐ the child is subject to a care order and the local authority is/is not authorised to place the child for adoption, or
- ☐ an application for a care order has been made and has not been disposed of, or
- ☐ the child was placed for adoption by the local authority on (give date)
or the child is being accommodated by the local authority and no adoption agency is authorised to place the child for adoption,

and

- ☐ the child has no parent or guardian, or
- ☐ the local authority consider that the conditions in section 31(2) of the Children Act 1989 are met because the child is suffering or is likely to suffer significant harm.

Please state below why you consider that the conditions in section 31(2) of the Children Act 1989 are met (continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

Part 3 About the child

9) The child is a

☐ Boy

☐ Girl

and has not been married.

10) The child was born on

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and is the person to whom the attached certified copy of the entry in the Register of Live Births/Register of Adopted Children relates

or To the best of my/our knowledge the child was born on or about

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in

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See Note 4

11) The child's nationality is

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Care

12) ☐ No local authority or voluntary organisation has parental responsibility for the child

or

☐ The following local authority/voluntary organisation has parental responsibility for the child:

Name of local authority or voluntary organisation	
Address (including post code)	
Name of your contact in the authority/organisation	
Telephone no.	

Care proceedings

13) ☐ There are no concurrent or ongoing care proceedings in respect of the child

or

☐ The child is the subject of ongoing/concurrent care proceedings (give details below)

Name of court	
Case number	
Date of issue	
Date of any timetabled hearing, or pre-hearing review	
Name of any allocated judge or legal advisor	

Maintenance

- 14) ☐ No maintenance order/agreement or award of child support maintenance under the Child Support Act 1991 has been made in respect of the child

or

- ☐ The following maintenance order/agreement/award of child support maintenance has been made

See Note 5

Person liable to pay maintenance	
Address (including post code)	
Court and date of order	
Date of maintenance agreement/child support maintenance award	

About other orders or proceedings that affect the child

- 15) ☐ To the best of my knowledge, no proceedings relating to the child (other than any maintenance order or care proceedings as given above) have been completed or commenced in any court

See Note 6

or

- ☐ The following proceedings relating to the child have been completed/commenced (in addition to any maintenance order or care proceedings given above)

Type of order made (or applied for)	Date of order (or date of next hearing)	Name of court	Case number (or serial number)

Cases concerning a related child

- 16) ☐ To the best of my knowledge, no proceedings relating to a full, half or step brother or sister of the child have been completed or commenced in any court

or

- ☐ The following proceedings relating to a full, half or step brother or sister of the child have been completed/commenced (Please give details below and, if you were a party to any proceedings that have been completed, attach a copy of the final order. Please do not include information about an adoption order for an adopted brother or sister that has been made or applied for. Please do not attach to this application copies of adoption orders for any adopted brother or sister)

Relationship to child (eg. sister, half-brother)	Type of order made (or applied for)	Date of order (or date of next hearing)	Name of court	Case number (or serial number)

Part 4 About the child's parents or guardian

The child's mother

17) The name of the child's mother is

First name(s) in full

Last name

Her address is (if deceased, please write 'Deceased' in the address box)

Her nationality is

The child's father

18) The name of the child's father is

First name(s) in full

Last name

His address is (if deceased, please write 'Deceased' in the address box)

His nationality is

Does he have parental responsibility for the child?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If No, does he intend to apply for an order under section 4(1)(c) of the Children Act 1989 (a parental responsibility order) or a residence or contact order in respect of the child?

☐ Yes

☐ No

See Note 7

The child's guardian

19) The name of the child's guardian is

First name(s) in full

Last name

His/Her address is

See Note 9

See Note 8

Part 5 Parent(s)/guardian(s) consent to placement for adoption

- 20) ☐ The child's parent(s) (or the child's guardians(s)) has/have consented to the child being placed for adoption

See Note 10

or

- ☐ the following parent(s) (or guardian(s)) of the child has/have not consented to the child being placed for adoption or has/have withdrawn their consent (give name(s) below)

and I ask the court to dispense with his/her/their consent to the making of a placement order on the following grounds: (state the grounds for your request below)

See Note 11

Note: You must attach to your application a brief statement of facts, and two copies, setting out a summary of the history of the case and any other facts to satisfy the court that the grounds for your request apply.

Part 6 Arrangements for contact with the child

Current contact arrangements

21) The current arrangements for contact with the child are as follows:

See Note 12

Proposed contact arrangements

22) If the placement order is made, the following contact arrangements are proposed:

See Note 13

Part 7 Statement of truth

Proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against a person who makes or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth.

*[I believe] [The applicant believes] that the facts stated in this application are true.

*I am duly authorised by the applicant to sign this statement.

Print full name

Signed

Date

*[Applicant] [Applicant's solicitor]

*delete as appropriate

If you attend the court for a hearing

1. Do you have a disability for which you require special assistance or special facilities?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please say what your needs are below
(the court staff will get in touch with you about your requirements)

◀ See Note 14

What to do now

Once you have completed and signed this form, you should take or send the form and **three copies** to the court, together with the court fee and the following documents:

- a certified copy of the full entry in the Register of Live Births that relates to the child or, where the child has been adopted, a certified copy of the entry in the Adopted Children Register;
- any written consent of the parent or guardian to the child being placed for adoption, and any notice of withdrawal of such consent;
- if you are asking the court to dispense with the consent of any parent or guardian to the child being placed for adoption, a brief statement of the facts relied on in support of the request, and **two copies** of the statement;
- a copy of any final care order relating to the child;
- if available, a copy of any parental responsibility order or parental responsibility agreement relating to the child;
- if the authority was a party to the proceedings, a copy of any other final order relating to the child that has effect and, if available, a copy of any maintenance agreement or maintenance award relating to the child;
- if the authority was a party to the proceedings, a copy of any final order relating to a full, half or step brother or sister of the child that has effect.