



Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Amendment (Child's Objection) Regulations 2024

I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 11 April 2024

David Hurley
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Mark Dreyfus KC
Attorney-General

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Amendment (Child's Objection) Regulations 2024*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table	The day after this instrument is registered.	16 April 2024
2. Schedule 1	The later of: (a) the day after this instrument is registered; and (b) the day on which Schedule 4 to the <i>Family Law Amendment Act 2023</i> commences.	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Family Law Act 1975*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Regulations 1986

1 Subparagraph 16(3)(c)(ii)

Repeal the subparagraph.

2 In the appropriate position in Part 6

Insert:

Division 3—Application provision relating to the Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Amendment (Child’s Objection) Regulations 2024

34 Application provision

The amendment of this instrument made by the *Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Amendment (Child’s Objection) Regulations 2024* applies in relation to the following proceedings:

- (a) proceedings instituted on or after the day that Schedule 4 to the *Family Law Amendment Act 2023* commences (the **commencement day**);
- (b) proceedings instituted before, and not finally determined by, the commencement day, other than proceedings in respect of which a final hearing has commenced by the commencement day.