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The Governor in Cabinet, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 6(2) of the Children Law, 2003, hereby makes the following Regulations-

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Parental Responsibility Agreement Citation Regulations, 2012.

2. A parental responsibility agreement shall be made in the form set out in the Schedule.

Form of parental responsibility agreement

3. The parties to a parental responsibility agreement shall be given the opportunity to seek independent legal advice before affixing their signature to the agreement.

Independent legal advice

4. (1) A parental responsibility agreement shall be recorded by the filing of the agreement, together with sufficient copies for each person with parental responsibility for the child, in the Grand Court.

Filing of parental responsibility agreement

- (2) Upon the filing of documents under paragraph (1), the Clerk of the Grand Court shall seal the copies and send one to each person with parental responsibility for the child.
- (3) The record of an agreement under paragraph (1) shall be made available, during office hours, for inspection by any person upon-
 - (a) written request to the Clerk of the Grand Court; and
 - (b) payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars.

SCHEDULE

(Regulation 2)

Form 1		
	Parental Responsi	ibility Agreement
Section 6(1)(b) of the Children Law, 2003		3 Keep this form in a safe place Date recorded at the Grand Court
	s on the other side ake the agreement	
This is a pare	ntal responsibility agreen	nent regarding-
The Child	Full Name	
Between	Boy or Girl	Date of birth
The Mother Full Name		
Address		
And		
The Father Full Name		
Address		
we agree tha	hat we are the mother an at the child's father sha ition to the mother having	nd father of the above named child and Il have parental responsibility for the g parental responsibility)
Signed (Moth	er)	Signed (Father)
Date		Date

Certificate of Witness

The following evidence of identity was produced by the person signing above.	The following evidence of identity was produced by the person signing above.
Signed in the presence of: Name of witness	Signed in the presence of: Name of witness
Address	Address
Signature of witness	Signature of witness
Justice of the Peace/ Notary Public/Clerk of the Court	Justice of the Peace/ Notary Public/Clerk of the Court

Notes about the Parental Responsibility Agreement

Read these notes before you make the Agreement.

About the Parental Responsibility Agreement:

The making of this agreement will affect the legal position of the mother and the father. You should both seek legal advice before you make the Agreement.

When filling in the Agreement:

Please use black ink (the agreement will be copied). Put the name of one child only. If the father is to have parental responsibility for more than one child, fill in a separate form for each child. **Do not sign the Agreement.**

When you have filled in the Agreement:

Take the agreement to a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public who will witness your signature and sign the certificate of the witness. If no Justice of the Peace or

Notary Public is available, then the Clerk of the Court of the Grand Court may witness your signature. An attorney-at-law cannot witness your signature.

To the mother: When you make the declaration you will have to prove that you are the child's mother, so take to the Grand Court the child's full birth certificate. You will also need evidence of your identity showing a photograph and signature (for example, a driver's licence, passport or voters identification). Please note that the child's birth certificate will not be accepted as sufficient proof of your identity.

To the father: You will need evidence of your identity showing a photograph and signature (for example, a driver's licence, passport or voters identification) and proof of your parental status.

When the Certificate has been signed and witnessed:

Make 2 copies of the Agreement form. You do not need to copy these notes. Take, or send, this form and the copies to the Grand Court.

The Clerk of the Court will record the Agreement and keep this form. The copies will be stamped and sent back to each parent at the address on the Agreement. The Agreement will not take effect until it has been received and recorded at the Grand Court.

Ending the Agreement:

Once a parental responsibility agreement has been made it can only end-

- (a) by an order of the court made on the application of any person who has parental responsibility for the child;
- (b) by an order of the court made on the application of the child with permission of the court; or
- (c) when the child attains the age of 18.

Form 2

Step-Parental Responsibility Agreement

Section 4A(1)(a) of the Children Law, 2003		Keep this form in a safe place		
		Date recorded at the Grand Cour		
Read the no before you	otes on the other side make the agreement			
This is a Sto	ep-Parental Responsibility Agre	ement regarding-		
The Child	Full Name			
	Boy or Girl	Date of birth		
Between				
Parent A	Full Name			
	Address			
And				
The other pa	arent (with parental responsibili	€y)*		
	Full Name			
And				
The step-par	ent			
	Full Name			

We declare that we are the parents and step-parent of the above named child and we agree that the above mentioned step-parent shall have parental responsibility for the child (in addition to those already having parental responsibility)

Signed (Parent A)	Signed (Other Parent)	Signed (Step-Parent)
	Date	Date
Date	Date	
The following evidence of identity was produced by the person signing above.	The following evidence of identity was produced by the person signing above.	The following evidence of identity was produced by the person signing above.
Signed in the presence of: Name of Witness	Signed in the presence of: Name of Witness	Signed in the presence of: Name of Witness
Address	Address	Address
Signature of Witness	Signature of Witness	Signature of Witness
Justice of the Peace/ Notary Public/Clerk of the Grand Court	Justice of the Peace/ Notary Public/Clerk of the Grand Court	Justice of the Peace/ Notary Public/Clerk of the Grand Court

* If there is only one parent with parental responsibility please delete this section.

Notes about the Step-Parent Parental Responsibility Form:

Read these notes before you make the Agreement

About the Step-Parent Parental Responsibility Agreement:

The making of this agreement will affect the legal position of the parent(s) and the step-parent. You should seek legal advice before you make the Agreement.

When filling in the Agreement:

Please use black ink (the agreement will be copied). Put the name of one child only. If the step-parent is to have parental responsibility for more than one child, fill in a separate form for each child. Do not sign the agreement.

When you have filled in the Agreement:

Take the agreement to a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public who will witness your signature and sign the certificate of the witness. If no Justice of the Peace or Notary Public is available, then the Clerk of the Court of the Grand Court may witness your signature. An attorney-at-law cannot witness your signature.

To Parent A and the other Parent with parental responsibility:

When you make the declaration you will have to prove that you have parental responsibility for the child. You should therefore take with you to the court one of the following documents:

- (a) the child's full birth certificate;
- (b) a marriage certificate to show that the parents were married to each other at the time of birth or subsequently;
- (c) a court order granting parental responsibility;
- (d) a registered Parental Responsibility Agreement Form between the child's mother and father.

You will also require evidence of your (both parents') identity showing a photograph and signature (for example, a driver's licence, passport or voters identification). (Please note that the child's birth certificate cannot be accepted as sufficient proof of your identity.)

To the step-parent:

When you make the declaration you will have to prove that you are married to a parent of the child, so take to the court your marriage certificate.

You will also need evidence of your identity showing a photograph and signature (for example, a driver's licence, passport or voters identification).

When the certificate has been signed and witnessed:

Make sufficient copies of the Agreement Form for each person who has signed the form. You do not need to copy these notes.

Take, or send, the original form and the copies to the Grand Court.

The Court will record the agreement and retain the original form. The copies will be stamped with the seal of the court and sent back to every person with parental responsibility who has signed the Agreement Form and to the step-parent. The Agreement will not take effect until it has been received and recorded at the Grand Court.

Ending the Agreement:

Once a step-parent parental responsibility agreement has been made it can only end:

- (a) by an order of the court made on the application of any person who has parental responsibility for the child;
- (b) by an order of the court made on the application of the child with permission of the court; or
- (c) when the child reaches the age of 18

Made in Cabinet on the 28 day of August, 2012

Sufficient of the Cabinet

Laid in the Legislative Assembly on the day of accordance with section 95(2) of the Children Law, 2003.

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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