

**IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE**

**PRACTICE DIRECTIONS**

**AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF 2022**

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Family Justice Courts Practice Directions will be amended as follows with effect from 29 May 2022: -

(a) The existing sub-paragraph 30(1) will be deleted and replaced with the following sub-paragraph:

[Paragraph 30\(1\)](#)

2. The amendment at 1(a) is to cater to infants in adoption proceedings who have been issued physical birth certificates in Singapore (before 29 May 2022) and from other jurisdictions.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022



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### 30. Submission of supporting documents

(1) Where the infant has been issued a physical birth certificate, the original birth certificate and the original translation of the birth certificate (if any) of the infant shall be submitted to the Adoption Counter of the Family Registry at least 7 working days prior to the hearing of the prayer for the appointment of the guardian in adoption accompanied with a cover letter in the prescribed format in Form 210 in Appendix A to these Practice Directions.

(a) Where the infant has been issued a digital birth certificate, paragraph (1) above does not apply.

(b) For avoidance of doubt, where the infant has been issued a digital birth certificate that cannot be verified electronically (e.g. by way of a QR code), the Court may direct the applicants to furnish evidence in support of the authenticity of the infant's digital birth certificate.

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