

Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1945, Western Australia

1946 – 1995

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Details

The Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act 1945 (Act no. 1945/031 (9 & 10 Geo. VI No.31)) commenced on 30 January 1946. The amendments came into force on 30 January 1946 and amended Rules operated from 24 October 1930.

The Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act restricted access to the original birth certificate of adopted children in two new ways:

- a person who was born in WA but adopted in another Australian State or Territory could not access their original WA birth certificate
- a person who was born in another Australian State or Territory but who was adopted in WA could not access their original birth certificate

These records could be released with the written permission of the Registrar General, but in practice this was rare.

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