

Sec. 17a-150-122. Approval of out-of-country agencies

(a) Out-of-country child-placing agencies seeking to place children into Connecticut for the purpose of foster care or adoption shall provide:

(1) A copy of their current license from the approving authority in their country. If no such license is issued, they must provide a reference statement from the approving authority stating they are authorized to place children in foster care or for adoption;

(2) a description of the services available to Connecticut families;

(3) a statement agreeing to continue responsibility for placement planning and placement in another home if the placement fails;

(4) such other information as the department may require; and

(5) notification to the department of any significant child placing agency changes after approval.

(b) If the adoption is finalized in the child's country of origin prior to bringing or sending the child to Connecticut, the out-of-country child placing agency involved is not required to:

(1) Be approved by the department under Section 17a-152 of the Connecticut General Statutes; or

(2) need be in compliance with sections 17a-175 through 17a-182, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes regarding the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.

(c) Out-of-country child-placing agencies shall not place a child from Connecticut into Connecticut.

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