

Central Adoption Resource Authority

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To All Specialised Adoption Agencies

Subject: Clarification regarding age criteria

This is to clarify that in case of a married couple desiring to adopt a child, maximum composite age of PAPs shall be as under:

Age of the child	Maximum composite age of prospective adoptive parents
Upto 4 years	90 years
Above 4 upto 8 years	100 years
Above 8 upto 18 years	110 years

This is to further clarify that in case of **single parent** desiring to adopt a child, maximum age of PAP shall be as under:

Age of the child	Maximum age of single prospective adoptive parent
Upto 4 years	45 years
Above 4 upto 8 years	50 years
Above 8 upto 18 years	55 years;

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