



# Succession to the Crown Act 1707

1707 CHAPTER 41 6 Ann

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An Act for the Security of Her Majesties Person and Government and of the Succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line.

## Editorial Information

X1 This is Chapter VII. 6 Ann. in the Common printed Editions

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

C2 Preamble repealed by [Criminal Law Act 1967 \(c. 58\)](#), [Sch. 4 Pt. I](#)

I—III. . . . . F1

## Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 1–3 repealed by [Criminal Law Act 1967 \(c. 58\)](#), [Sch. 4 Pt. I](#)

## IV Parliament not dissolved on Queen's Death. Proceedings.

And this present Parliament or any other Parliament which shall hereafter be summoned and called by Her Majesty Queen Anne Her Heirs or Successors [<sup>X2</sup>shall] not to be determined or dissolved by the Death or Demise of Her said Majesty Her Heirs or Successors but such Parliament shall and is hereby enacted to continue and is hereby impowered and required if sitting at the Time of such Demise immediately to proceed to act notwithstanding such Death or Demise . . . <sup>F2</sup> And if the said Parliament shall be prorogued then it shall meet and sit on and upon the Day unto which it shall be prorogued . . . <sup>F2</sup>

*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Succession to the Crown Act 1707. (See end of Document for details)*

**Editorial Information**  
 X2 interlined on the Roll

**Textual Amendments**  
 F2 Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1878 \(c. 79\)](#)

**V Where Parliament adjourned at the Death of the Sovereign, Proceedings.**

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid That if there be a Parliament in being at the Time of the Death of Her Majesty Her Heirs or Successors but the same happens to be separated by Adjournment or Prorogation such Parliament shall immediately after such Demise meet convene and sit and shall act notwithstanding such Death or Demise . . . <sup>F3</sup>

**Textual Amendments**  
 F3 Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1878 \(c. 79\)](#)

**VI** ..... <sup>F4</sup>

**Textual Amendments**  
 F4 [S. 6](#) repealed by [Meeting of Parliament Act 1797 \(c. 127\), s. 2](#)

**VII Proviso for Prerogative to prorogue, &c. and for Stat. 6 & 7 W. & M. c. 2.**

Provided always and it is hereby declared That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to alter or abridge the Power of the Queen Her Heires or Successors to prorogue [<sup>F5</sup>or dissolve]<sup>F6</sup>... Parliaments nor to repeal or make void One Act of Parliament made in England in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Their said late Majesties King William and Queen Mary intituled An Act for the frequent Meeting and calling of Parliaments but that the said Act shall continue in force in every thing that is not contrary to or inconsistent with the Direction of this Act and the said Act for the frequent Meeting and calling of Parliaments is hereby declared and enacted to extend to the Parliament of Great Britain as fully and effectually to all Intents Constructions and Purposes as if the same were herein and hereby particularly recited and enacted

**Textual Amendments**  
 F5 Words in [s. 7](#) inserted (24.3.2022) by [Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Act 2022 \(c. 11\), s. 6\(3\), Sch. para. 1](#)  
 F6 Words in [s. 7](#) omitted (15.9.2011) by virtue of [Fixed-term Parliaments Act 2011 \(c. 14\), s. 7\(2\), Sch. para. 1](#) (with [s. 6](#))

**VIII** ..... <sup>F7</sup>

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**Textual Amendments**

**F7** S. 8 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1973 \(c. 39\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. I](#)

**IX Great Seal, &c. to continue.**

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid That the Great Seal of Great Britain the Privy Seal Privy Signet and all other Publick Seals in being at the Time of the Demise of Her Majesty Her Heirs or Successors shall continue and be made use of as the respective Seals of the Successor until such Successor shall give Order to the contrary

**X—** ..... **F8**  
**XVII.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F8** Ss. 10–17 repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1867 \(c. 59\)](#)

**XVIII** ..... **F9**

**Textual Amendments**

**F9** S. 18 repealed by [Demise of the Crown Act 1727 \(1 Geo. 2 St. 1 c. 5\)](#), [s. 2](#), the Act 1 Geo. 2 St. 2 c. 23, [s. 7](#) and [Statute Law Revision Act 1867 \(c. 59\)](#)

**XIX—** ..... **F10**  
**XXIII**

**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 19–23 repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1867 \(c. 59\)](#)

**XXIV** ..... **F11**  
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**XXV**

**Textual Amendments**

**F11** Ss. 24, 25, 27, 28 repealed by [House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 \(c. 20\)](#), [Sch. 4 Pt. I](#)

**XXVI** ..... **F12**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F12** S. 26 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1978 (c. 45), **Sch. 1 Pt. III**

**XXVII**,..... **F13**  
**XXVIII.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F13** Ss.24, 25, 27, 28 repealed by House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 (c. 20), **Sch. 4 Pt. I**

**F14****XXIX** And every Person disabled to be elected or to sit or vote in the House of Commons of any Parliament of England shall be disabled to be elected or to sit or vote in the House of Commons of any Parliament of Great Britain.

**Textual Amendments**

**F14** S. 29 repealed by House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 (c. 20), **Sch. 4 Pt. I** so far as it relates to disqualification under any enactment repealed by that Act

**XXX** ..... **F15**

**Textual Amendments**

**F15** S. 30 repealed by Statute Law Revision Act 1867 (c. 59)

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