## DRAFT SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2002 No.

## The Marriage (Approval of Places) (Scotland) Regulations 2002

## Citation, commencement and interpretation

**1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Marriage (Approval of Places) (Scotland) Regulations 2002 and shall come into force on 10th June 2002.

(2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-

"the Act" means the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977;

"applicant" means an applicant for an approval, and "application" shall be construed accordingly;

"approval" means a period approval or a temporary approval;

"approval holder" means the person on whose application the approval was granted pursuant to these Regulations, or a person who is deemed to be the approval holder under regulation 17;

"approved place" means a place which has been approved by an authority under these Regulations and for which said approval is still current;

"authority" in relation to any place means the local authority for the area in which the place is situated;

"in writing" includes transmission by electronic means;

"local registration authority" has the meaning assigned to it by section 5 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965(1);

"period approval" means an approval granted under regulation 3;

"place" means any place whose position within the registration district(2) can at the relevant time be suitably defined in words or figures for the purpose of recording where the civil marriage was solemnised and, without prejudice to the foregoing generality, includes any premises, fixed buildings, temporary structures, enclosures and similar structures, land (including any land covered with water in so far as within the jurisdiction of the registration district) and any vessels or vehicles; and

"temporary approval" means an approval granted under regulation 4.

- (3) In these Regulations-
  - (a) any reference to a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation bearing that number in these Regulations; and
  - (b) any reference in a regulation to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph in that regulation bearing that number.

<sup>(1) 1965</sup> c. 49.

<sup>(2)</sup> See the definition of "registration district" in section 5 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965 ("the 1965 Act"). By virtue of section 26(1) of the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977, expressions used in the 1965 Act and the 1977 Act will have the same meaning in the 1977 Act as in the 1965 Act.