



Family Law Reform Act 1969

CHAPTER 46

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PART I

REDUCTION OF AGE OF MAJORITY AND RELATED PROVISIONS

- 1 Reduction of age of majority from 21 to 18.
- 2 Provisions relating to marriage.
- 3 Provisions relating to wills and intestacy
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- 5 Modification of other enactments relating to maintenance of children so as to preserve benefits up to age of 21.
- 6 Maintenance for wards of court.
- 7 Committal of wards of court to care of local authority and supervision of wards of court.
- 8 Consent by persons over 16 to surgical, medical and dental treatment.
- 9 Time at which a person attains a particular age.
- 10 Modification of enactments relating to Duke of Cornwall and other children of Her Majesty.
- 11 Repeal of certain enactments relating to minors.
- 12 Persons under full age may be described as minors instead of infants.
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PART II

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PART III

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- 20 Power of court to require use of blood tests.
- 21 Consents, etc., required for taking of bodily sample.
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SCHEDULE 2 — Statutory Provisions Unaffected by Section 1
 1 The Regency Acts 1937 to 1953.
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SCHEDULE 3 — Transitional Provisions and Savings

Interpretation

- 1 (1) In this Schedule “the principal section ” means section...

Funds in court

- 2 Any order or directions in force immediately before the commencement...

Wardship and custody orders

- 3 (1) Any order in force immediately before the commencement date—...

Adoption orders

- 4 The principal section shall not prevent the making of an...

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Power of trustees to apply income for maintenance of minor

- 5 (1) The principal section shall not affect section 31 of...

Personal representatives' powers during minority of beneficiary

- 6 The principal section shall not affect the meaning of "minority..."

Accumulation periods

- 7 The change, by virtue of the principal section, in the...

Limitation of actions

- 8 The change, by virtue of the principal section, in the...

Statutory provisions incorporated in deeds, wills, etc.

- 9 The principal section shall not affect the construction of any...

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