



# Marriage with Foreigners Act 1906

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**U.K.**

An Act to amend the Law with respect to Marriages between British Subjects and Foreigners. [29th November 1906]

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), s. 3](#)
- C2 This Act is not necessarily in the form in which it has effect in Northern Ireland

## <sup>F1</sup> **Marriages of British subjects with foreigners abroad.** **U.K.**

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## Textual Amendments

- F1 [S. 1](#) repealed (3.6.2014) by [The Consular Marriages and Marriages under Foreign Law Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1110\)](#), arts. 1(1), 16

## **2 Marriage of foreigners with British subjects in the United Kingdom.** **U.K.**

- (1) Where arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of His Majesty with any foreign country for the issue by the proper officers of that country, in the case of persons subject to the marriage law of that country proposing to marry British subjects in [<sup>F2</sup>any part of the United Kingdom other than Scotland], of certificates that, after proper notices have been given, no impediment according to the law of that country has been shown to exist to the marriage, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, make regulations—
  - (a) requiring any person, subject to the marriage law of that foreign country, who is to be married to a British subject in [<sup>F2</sup>any part of the United Kingdom other than Scotland], to give notice of the fact that he is subject to the marriage law

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of that country to the person by or in the presence of whom the marriage is to be solemnised; and

- (b) forbidding any person to whom such a notice is given to solemnise the marriage or to allow it to be solemnised until such a certificate as aforesaid is produced to him.
- (2) If any person knowingly acts in contravention of, or fails to comply with, any such regulation, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.
- (3) Nothing in this section shall be taken to relate or have any reference to any marriages between two persons professing the Jewish religion solemnised according to the usages of the Jews in the presence of the secretary of a synagogue authorised by either the <sup>M1</sup>Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1836, or the <sup>M2</sup>Marriages (Ireland) Act, 1844, or by the <sup>M3</sup>Marriage and Registration Act, 1856, to register such a marriage, or of a deputy appointed by such secretary by writing under his hand, and approved by the president for the time of the London committee of deputies of the British Jews by writing under his hand.

#### Textual Amendments

- F2** Words substituted by [Marriage \(Scotland\) Act 1977 \(c. 15, SIF 49:2\)](#), s. 28(1), **Sch. 2 para. 3** (subject to a saving in s. 27(3) in relation to marriages before 1.1.1978)

#### Marginal Citations

- M1** 1836 c. 86.  
**M2** 1844 c. 81.  
**M3** 1856 c. 119.

### 3 Power to make general regulations. **U.K.**

His Majesty may by Order in Council make general regulations prescribing the forms to be used under this Act and making such other provisions as seem necessary or expedient for the purposes of this Act, and may by Order in Council revoke, alter, or add to any Order in Council made under this Act.

### 4 Interpretation. **U.K.**

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

The expressions “Registrar-General” and “registrar” mean respectively the Registrar-General within the meaning of the Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1836, and a superintendent registrar of marriages within the meaning of the <sup>M4</sup>Marriage Act, 1836; and

<sup>F3</sup>  
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#### Textual Amendments

- F3** Words in s. 4 repealed (3.6.2014) by [The Consular Marriages and Marriages under Foreign Law Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1110\)](#), arts. 1(1), **16**

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**Marginal Citations**

**M4** 1836 c. 85.

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**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 5 repealed by [Marriage \(Scotland\) Act 1977 \(c. 15, SIF 49:2\)](#), s. 28(2), [Sch. 3](#) (subject to a saving in s. 27(3) in relation to marriages before 1.1.1978)

6 **Application to Ireland. U.K.**

In the application of this Act to Ireland the expressions “Registrar-General” and “registrar” mean respectively the Registrar-General and registrar within the meaning of the <sup>M5</sup>Marriages (Ireland) Act, 1844.

**Marginal Citations**

**M5** 1844 c. 81.

7 **Short title. U.K.**

This Act may be cited as the Marriage with Foreigners Act, 1906.

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<sup>F5</sup>SCHEDULE **U.K.**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F5** Sch. repealed (3.6.2014) by [The Consular Marriages and Marriages under Foreign Law Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/1110\)](#), arts. 1(1), **16**

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