



# Wills Act 1837

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### [<sup>F1</sup>18E. Effect on subsisting will of conversion of marriage into civil partnership

- (1) The conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership does not—
  - (a) revoke any will made by a party to the marriage before the conversion; or
  - (b) affect any disposition in such a will.
- (2) The conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership does not affect any previous application of section 18(2) to (4) to—
  - (a) a will made by a party to the marriage before the conversion; or
  - (b) a disposition in such a will.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) are subject to subsection (4).
- (4) Any reference in a will to a marriage or spouses (howsoever expressed) is to be read in relation to any marriage that has been converted into a civil partnership, or a married couple who have converted their marriage into a civil partnership, as referring to that civil partnership or the parties to it, as appropriate.
- (5) Subsection (4) is subject to any contrary intention appearing from the will.
- (6) In this section “conversion” means—
  - (a) the conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership under Part 3 of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Regulations 2020; or
  - (b) the conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership under Part 4 or 5 of those Regulations;and “converted” is to be read accordingly.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 18E inserted (E.W.) (7.12.2020) by [The Marriage and Civil Partnership \(Northern Ireland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1143\)](#), regs. 1(2), **32(5)**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Wills Act 1837, Section 18E.