
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 1514

**The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership
(Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019**

PART 5

Amendments: Gender Recognition

Alternative grounds for granting certificates in Northern Ireland

42.—(1) Sections 2(3A), 3(9), 3A and 3B, and paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 1(1), (alternative grounds for granting gender recognition certificates) extend also to Northern Ireland.

(2) Section 3A (as it has effect in accordance with paragraph (1)) is amended as follows.

(3) In subsection (4)(a) (applicant must have been living in the acquired gender as at 10th December 2008), after “2013” insert “(but see subsection (8))”.

(4) In subsection (6) (ordinary residence in Great Britain), for “or Scotland” substitute “, Scotland or Northern Ireland”.

(5) After subsection (7) insert—

“(8) Where the applicant—

- (a) is a party to a protected marriage that is a marriage under the law of Northern Ireland, or
- (b) is a party to a protected civil partnership that is a civil partnership under the law of Northern Ireland, or
- (c) is ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland,

subsection (4)(a) has effect as if for the words after “was living in the acquired gender” there were substituted “on 13 January 2014”.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 42 in force at 13.1.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

(1) Sections 2(3A), 3(9), 3A and 3B, and paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 1, were inserted (with England and Wales, and Scotland, extent) by Part 2 of Schedule 5 to the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013. Section 3B is amended by [S.I. 2019/1458](#).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Marriage (Same-sex Couples) and Civil Partnership (Opposite-sex Couples) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2019, Section 42.