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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2005 No. 482**

**The Civil Partnership Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005**

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“approval” means place approval or temporary place 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 24;

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

“applicant” means an applicant for an approval;

“authority” means the local registration authority as referred to in Section 151 of the Act;

“place” means any place whose position within the district can be suitably defined in words or figures for the purpose of recording where the civil partnership registration took place and includes any premises, fixed building, temporary structure, enclosures and similar structures, land and any vessels or vehicles;

“place approval” means the approval, by an authority of a place where civil partnership registration may take place for a period in its district;

“status” means marriage or civil partnership status;

“temporary place approval” means approval by an authority of a place where a civil partnership registration may take place for one occasion in its district;

“the Act” means the Civil Partnership Act 2004.

(2) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954<sup>(1)</sup> shall apply to these regulations as it applies to an Act of the Assembly.