
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 212

**The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014
(Commencement No. 2 and Saving Provisions) Order 2014**

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014 (Commencement No. 2 and Saving Provisions) Order 2014 and comes into force on 1st September 2014.

(2) In this Order—

“the 1977 Act” means the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977(1);

“the 2004 Act” means the Civil Partnership Act 2004(2);

“the 2014 Act” means the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014;

“the GRA 2004” means the Gender Recognition Act 2004(3).

Appointed day

2.—(1) Subject to article 3, the appointed day is 1st September 2014 for the provisions of the 2014 Act specified in column 1 of the Schedule (the subject matter of which is described in column 2 of the Schedule).

(2) Where a purpose is specified in column 3 of the Schedule in relation to any provision, the provision comes into force on 1st September 2014 for that purpose only.

Saving

3.—(1) The Marriage (Prescription of Religious Bodies) (Scotland) Regulations 1977(4) continue to have effect despite the coming into force on 1st September 2014, for the purposes specified in the Schedule, of section 12(2) of the 2014 Act.

(2) The abolition of the common law offence of bigamy by section 28(3) of the 2014 Act does not apply to—

(a) any marriages or purported marriages entered into before 1st September 2014, and any prosecution in relation to such marriages or purported marriages where proceedings commence or after that date; or

(b) any prosecution for the common law offence of bigamy where proceedings commenced before that date.

(1) 1977 c.15.

(2) 2004 c.33.

(3) 2004 c.7.

(4) S.I. 1977/1670. The Regulations were made under section 8(1)(a)(ii) of the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977 which is amended by section 12(2) of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Act 2014.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh
22nd July 2014

ALEX NEIL
A member of the Scottish Government