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# SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 1

Section 6.

### MODIFICATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF BUILDINGS, IN THEIR APPLICATION TO SHARED CHURCH BUILDINGS

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#### Textual Amendments

**F1** Sch. 1 para. 1 repealed by [Marriage \(Registration of Buildings\) Act 1990 \(c. 33, SIF 49:1\), s. 1\(2\)\(a\)](#)

2 An application under [<sup>F2</sup>section 41 of the Marriage Act 1949 (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”)] shall be made by a representative (as hereinafter defined) of a sharing Church other than the Church of England, and, if there are two or more such Churches, the registration shall be deemed to have been made on behalf of the congregations of all those Churches, whether or not their representatives joined in the application.

#### Textual Amendments

**F2** Words substituted by [Marriage \(Registration of Buildings\) Act 1990 \(c. 33, SIF 49:1\), s. 1\(2\)\(b\)](#)

3 Where a sharing Church other than the Church of England withdraws from the sharing of a registered church building[<sup>F3</sup>which is registered under section 41 of the Act, and], which continues to be used by another such Church, the registration shall not be cancelled.

#### Textual Amendments

**F3** Words in [Sch. 1 para. 3](#) inserted (13.3.2014) by [The Marriage \(Same Sex Couples\) Act 2013 \(Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/560\), art. 1\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 11\(2\)](#)

[<sup>F4</sup>3A. Subject to the provision made by sections 44A to 44C of the Act and any regulations made under those sections, where a sharing Church withdraws from the sharing of a registered church building which is registered under section 43A of the Act, and which continues to be used by another Church other than the Church of England, the registration shall not be cancelled.]

#### Textual Amendments

**F4** [Sch. 1 para. 3A](#) inserted (13.3.2014) by [The Marriage \(Same Sex Couples\) Act 2013 \(Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/560\), art. 1\(2\), Sch. 1 para. 11\(3\)](#)

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4 An authorisation and certification of a person under section 43(1)<sup>F5</sup> or section 43B(1)] of the Act to be present at the solemnization of marriages in a church building to which a sharing agreement relates shall be effected by a representative of a sharing Church other than the Church of England, and, if there are two or more such sharing Churches, different persons may be so authorised and certified on behalf of those Churches, but each such person shall be an authorised person for the purposes of the Act in respect of the solemnization of any marriage in that building; and references in the Act to authorised persons and their certification shall be construed accordingly.

**Textual Amendments**  
**F5** Words in Sch. 1 para. 4 inserted (13.3.2014) by The Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/560), art. 1(2), Sch. 1 para. 11(4)

5 [<sup>F6</sup>Sections 43(1A) and 43B(3) of the Act, both of which prescribe] a period of twelve months before a person may be authorised as aforesaid, shall not apply to any authorisation under this Schedule, and, if a sharing Church withdraws, in the circumstances mentioned in paragraph 3<sup>F7</sup> or 3A] above, from the sharing of a registered church building, the registration shall, for the purpose of the application of the [<sup>F8</sup>section 43(1A) or 43B(3)] to another building registered on behalf of the congregation of the withdrawing Church, be deemed to have been cancelled at the time of the withdrawal.

**Textual Amendments**  
**F6** Words in Sch. 1 para. 5 substituted (13.3.2014) by The Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/560), art. 1(2), Sch. 1 para. 11(5)(a)  
**F7** Words in Sch. 1 para. 5 inserted (13.3.2014) by The Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/560), art. 1(2), Sch. 1 para. 11(5)(b)  
**F8** Words in Sch. 1 para. 5 substituted (13.3.2014) by The Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 (Consequential and Contrary Provisions and Scotland) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/560), art. 1(2), Sch. 1 para. 11(5)(c)

6 The consent required under the proviso to section 44(1) of the Act shall, if the marriage is to be solemnized according to the rites of a sharing Church, be given by the minister ordinarily responsible for the conduct of worship by the congregation of that Church or, if the sharing Church is not the Roman Catholic Church, by a representative of that sharing Church, and in the case of other marriages shall be given by one of the trustees, owners or managers of the building.

<sup>F97</sup> .....

**Textual Amendments**  
**F9** Sch. 1 para. 7 omitted (4.5.2021) by virtue of The Registration of Marriages Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/411), reg. 1(2), Sch. 1 para. 54 (with Sch. 2)

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- 8 Nothing in this Schedule shall affect any registration or authorisation which is in force when a sharing agreement takes effect in respect of the building concerned, and any such registration or authorisation shall continue in force and have effect as if it had been made under this Schedule.
- 9 In this Schedule “representative”, in relation to a Church sharing a church building, means—
- (a) if the building is jointly owned, a trustee representing that Church;
  - (b) in any other case, a party to the agreement on behalf of that Church.

## SCHEDULE 2

Section 11.

### CHURCHES AND THEIR APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES

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<i>Name of Church</i>	<i>Appropriate Authority or Authorities</i>
Any Church of the Baptist Denomination.	As respects section 1(3) and (4), the Baptist Trust Corporation as hereinafter defined, acting with the concurrence of the Church meeting. As respects section 1(8), the Baptist Trust Corporation.
Any Church of the congregational Denomination.	As respects section 1(3) and (4), the Congregational Trust Corporation as hereinafter defined, acting with the concurrence of the Church meeting. As respects section 1(8), the Congregational Trust Corporation.
[ <sup>F10</sup> Any Congregation of the Association of Churches of Christ in Great Britain and Ireland.	As respects section 1(3) and (4), the Annual Conference of the Association of Churches of Christ acting with the concurrence of the duly constituted Church meeting. As respects section 1(8), the Annual Conference of the Association of Churches of Christ.]
The Methodist Church	The Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.
[ <sup>F11</sup> The United Reformed Church]	[ <sup>F11</sup> The Synod of the province of the United Reformed Church in which the church building or buildings is or are or will be situated.]
The Roman Catholic Church.	The Bishop of the diocese in which the church building or buildings is or are or will be situated.
The Church in Wales	The Governing Body of the Church in Wales.
[ <sup>F12</sup> Congregational Federation	The Trust Corporation known as the Congregational Federation Ltd.
Moravian Church	The Synod of the Moravian Church in the British Province.

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The Calvinistic Methodist or Presbyterian Church of Wales	The Properties Board of the Calvinistic Methodist or Presbyterian Church of Wales.
Any Churches of Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance	Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance & Elim Trust Corporation.
Presbyterian Church of Wales	The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Wales.
Any Congregation of the Fellowship of Churches of Christ in Great Britain and Ireland	(a) As respects section 1(3) and (4), the Annual Conference of the Fellowship of Churches of Christ acting with the concurrence of the duly constituted Church meeting. (b) As respects section 1(8), the Annual Conference of the Fellowship of Churches of Christ.
The British Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church	The Trustees of the British Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church.
The Assemblies of God in Great Britain and Ireland	The Executive Council of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain and Ireland.
Shiloh United Church of Christ Apostolic (Worldwide)	National Executive Board.
International Ministerial Council of Great Britain	IMCGB Executive Committee.
Archdiocese of Thyateira and Great Britain (Greek Orthodox Church)	The Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain.
The Salvation Army	The Salvation Army Trustee Company.
Council of Oriental Orthodox Christian Churches	The President of the Coptic Orthodox Church.
Chinese Church in London	The Church Council.
Lutheran Council of Great Britain	Chairman of the Council.
The Free Church of England	The Church Council represented by the General Secretary.
New Testament Assembly	The Executive Board of NTA.
Council of African and Afro-Caribbean Churches	The Chairman of the Council.
The Oakes Christian Fellowship Sheffield	The Leadership Team.
Southam Road Evangelical Fellowship, Banbury	The Church Trustees represented by the General Secretary.
New Testament Church of God	The National Overseer.
Old Baptist Union	The General Secretary.
Joint Council of Anglo-Caribbean Churches	The General Secretary of the Joint Council.
Cherubim and Seraphim Council of Churches	The General Secretary of the Council.

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Independent Methodist Churches	The Connexional Committee represented by the General Secretary.
North Bank Christian Fellowship	The Leadership Team.
New Life Church, Woodall Spa, Lincolnshire	The Diaconate.
Diocese of Sourozh (Russian Orthodox Church)	The Diocesan Assembly.
The Vine Christian Centre, Bridgend	The Trustees of the Vine Christian Centre.
The Oxford Community Church	The Trustees of the Oxfordshire Community Churches.
The Abingdon Community Church	The Trustees of the Oxfordshire Community Churches.
The Church of God of Prophecy	The Trustees of the Church of God of Prophecy.
Pentecostal Evangelistic Outreach ( UK	The Trustees of the Pentecostal Outreach ( UK ).
Chafford Hundred Community Church	The Trustees of the Chafford Hundred Community Church.
The Straits Church	The Trustees.
Heworth Christian Fellowship	The Trustees.
Aylesbury Vale Community Church	The Trustees.
Wesleyan Reform Union of Churches	The General Committee.
The Archdiocese of Orthodox Parishes of Russian Tradition in Western Europe, Exarchate of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Deanery of Great Britain and Ireland	His Eminence the Archbishop of Comana.
The Mar Thoma Church	The Council of the Mar Thoma Parishes in Europe (COMPE).
Calvary Chapel Woolacombe Ltd	The Trustees.
Church of the Nazarene (British Isles South district)	The Trustees.
The Religious Society of Friends in Britain (Quakers)	The Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends in Britain (Quakers).]

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#### Textual Amendments

- F10** Words in Sch. 2 repealed (E.) (19.5.2014) by Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2014 (No. 1), s. 21(2), Sch. 2 para. 5(5); S.I. 2014/1369, art. 2
- F11** Words substituted by United Reformed Church Act 1972 (c. xviii)
- F12** Words in Sch. 2 added (E.) (19.5.2014) by Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2014 (No. 1), s. 21(2), Sch. 2 para. 5(3), Sch. 2 para. 5(4), Sch. 3; S.I. 2014/1369, art. 2

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For the purposes of this Schedule, “the Baptist Trust Corporation” and “the Congregational Trust Corporation” have the following meanings:—

(a) if the church building or buildings to which the sharing agreement concerned relates is or are or will be vested in a Baptist or Congregational Trust Corporation within the meaning of the <sup>M1</sup>Baptist and Congregational Trusts Act 1951, it means that Corporation;

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**M1** 1951 c. xvii.

(b) otherwise it means the Baptist or Congregational Trust Corporation (within the meaning of the said Act) in whose area of operations the church building or buildings is or are or will be situated, or if there is more than one such Corporation, the one determined by the Church meeting.

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