



Matrimonial Causes Act 1973

1973 CHAPTER 18

PART II

FINANCIAL RELIEF FOR PARTIES TO MARRIAGE AND CHILDREN OF FAMILY

Financial provision and property adjustment orders

[^{F1}21A Pension sharing orders.

- (1) For the purposes of this Act, a pension sharing order is an order which—
 - (a) provides that one party's—
 - (i) shareable rights under a specified pension arrangement, or
 - (ii) shareable state scheme rights,be subject to pension sharing for the benefit of the other party, and
 - (b) specifies the percentage value to be transferred.
- (2) In subsection (1) above—
 - (a) the reference to shareable rights under a pension arrangement is to rights in relation to which pension sharing is available under Chapter I of Part IV of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999, or under corresponding Northern Ireland legislation,
 - (b) the reference to shareable state scheme rights is to rights in relation to which pension sharing is available under Chapter II of Part IV of the Welfare Reform and Pensions Act 1999, or under corresponding Northern Ireland legislation, and
 - (c) “ party ” means a party to a marriage.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 21A and sidenote inserted (11.11.1999 for certain purposes and otherwise 1.12.2000) by [1999 c. 30, s. 19, Sch. 3 para. 2](#); [S.I. 2000/1116, art. 2](#)

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, Section 21A. (See end of Document for details)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 21A modified (8.8.2006) by [The Divorce etc. \(Pension Protection Fund\) Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1932\)](#), **reg. 4(2)(a)**

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