



Gender Recognition Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 7

Consequences of issue of gender recognition certificate etc.

21 Foreign gender change and marriage

(1) A person's gender is not to be regarded as having changed by reason only that it has changed under the law of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom.

^{F1}(1A)

^{F2}(2)

^{F2}(3)

^{F2}(4)

^{F2}(5)

(6) Nothing in this section prevents the exercise of any [^{F3}right which forms part of [^{F4}assimilated] law by virtue of section 3 ^{F5}... of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018].

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 21(1A) omitted (13.1.2020) by virtue of [The Marriage \(Same-sex Couples\) and Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) \(Northern Ireland\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/1514), regs. 1(2), **46(2)** (with regs. 6-9)

F2 S. 21(2)-(5) repealed: (S.) (16.12.2014) by [Marriage and Civil Partnership \(Scotland\) Act 2014](#) (asp 5), s. 36, **Sch. 2 para. 12**; S.S.I. 2014/287, art. 3, Sch.; and omitted (E.W.N.I.) (13.1.2020) by virtue of [The Marriage \(Same-sex Couples\) and Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) \(Northern Ireland\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/1514), regs. 1(2), **46(3)** (with regs. 6-9)

F3 Words in s. 21(6) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Equality \(Amendment and Revocation\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/305), regs. 1, **2(2)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

F4 Word in s. 21(6) substituted (1.1.2024) by [The Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendment\) Regulations 2023](#) (S.I. 2023/1424), reg. 1(2), **Sch. para. 54(a)**

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Gender Recognition Act 2004, Section 21. (See end of Document for details)

F5 Words in s. 21(6) omitted (1.1.2024) by virtue of The Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendment) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1424), reg. 1(2), **Sch. para. 54(b)**

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