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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

SERVICES AND PUBLIC FUNCTIONS: EXCEPTIONS

[^{F1}PART 6A

MARRIAGE OF SAME SEX COUPLES [^{F1}AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP] IN ENGLAND AND WALES

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 3 Pt. 6A inserted (13.3.2014) by [Marriage \(Same Sex Couples\) Act 2013 \(c. 30\), ss. 2\(6\), 21\(3\); S.I. 2014/93, art. 3\(a\)](#)
- F1** Words in Sch. 3 Pt. 6A heading inserted (E.W.S.) (2.12.2019) by [The Civil Partnership \(Opposite-sex Couples\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/1458\), regs. 1\(2\), 10\(3\)\(a\)](#)

Marriage according to religious rites: no compulsion to solemnize etc

- 25A (1) A person does not contravene section 29 only because the person—
- (a) does not conduct a relevant marriage,
 - (b) is not present at, does not carry out, or does not otherwise participate in, a relevant marriage, or
 - (c) does not consent to a relevant marriage being conducted,
- for the reason that the marriage is the marriage of a same sex couple.
- (2) Expressions used in this paragraph and in section 2 of the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 have the same meanings in this paragraph as in that section.]

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