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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

INTERPRETATION OF LEGISLATION

PART 1

EXISTING ENGLAND AND WALES LEGISLATION

Interpretation of existing England and Wales legislation

- 1 (1) In existing England and Wales legislation—
- (a) a reference to marriage is to be read as including a reference to marriage of a same sex couple;
 - (b) a reference to a married couple is to be read as including a reference to a married same sex couple; and
 - (c) a reference to a person who is married is to be read as including a reference to a person who is married to a person of the same sex.
- (2) Where sub-paragraph (1) requires a reference to be read in a particular way, any related reference (such as a reference to a marriage that has ended, or a reference to a person whose marriage has ended) is to be read accordingly.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) it does not matter how a reference is expressed.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 3 paras. 1, 2 excluded by SI 2006/3432, rules 4(4), 5(4) (as 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. 3 para. 17**)
- C2** Sch. 3 paras. 1-3 modified (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. 2 para. 4**
- C3** Sch. 3 paras. 1-3 excluded (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. 2 para. 5**
- C4** Sch. 3 para. 1 excluded by SI 1992/129, Sch. 2 Scheme, Sch. 1 Pt. 3 rules 1(4), 2(4) (as 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. 3 para. 17**)
- C5** Sch. 3 para. 1 excluded by SI 2012/687, rules 2A(4), 2B(4) (as 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. 3 para. 17**)
- C6** Sch. 3 para. 1 excluded by SI 1997/1612, regs. 42B(4), 42C(4) (as 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. 3 para. 17**)
- C7** Sch. 3 paras. 1-3 excluded by SI 1987/257, reg. J1(7) (as inserted (13.3.2014) by [The Police Pensions \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014 \(S.I. 2014/79\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(c)**)

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C8 Sch. 3 para. 1 excluded by SI 2010/990, regs. 2A(4), 2B(4) (as 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. 3 para. 17**)

Commencement Information

I1 Sch. 3 para. 1 in force at 13.3.2014 by [S.I. 2014/93](#), **art. 3(i)**

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