



Marriage Act 1949

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PART III

MARRIAGE UNDER [^{F1}MARRIAGE SCHEDULE]

Marriages in registered buildings

[^{F1}43A Registration of buildings: marriage of same sex couples

- (1) A building that has been certified as required by law as a place of religious worship may be registered under this section for the solemnization of marriages of same sex couples.
- (2) Any application for registration of a building under this section is to be made—
 - (a) by a proprietor or trustee of the building;
 - (b) to the superintendent registrar of the registration district in which the building is situated.
- (3) An application for registration of a building under this section must be accompanied by—
 - (a) a certificate, given by the applicant and dated not earlier than one month before the making of the application, that the persons who are the relevant governing authority in relation to the building have given written consent to marriages of same sex couples as mentioned in section 26A(3),
 - (b) a copy of that consent, and
 - (c) if the building is not already registered under section 41, a certificate of use for religious worship.
- (4) The superintendent registrar must send to the Registrar General—
 - (a) the certificate or certificates, and
 - (b) the copy of the consent,which accompany an application under this section.

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- (5) The Registrar General must then register the building.
- (6) A building may be registered for the solemnization of marriages under this section whether it is a separate building or forms part of another building.
- (7) In this section, in relation to an application under this section, “certificate of use for religious worship” means a certificate given by at least twenty householders and dated not earlier than one month before the making of the application, stating that they—
- (a) use the building as their usual place of public religious worship, and
 - (b) wish the building to be registered under this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 43A-43D inserted (31.10.2013 for specified purposes, 13.3.2014 in so far as not already in force) by [Marriage \(Same Sex Couples\) Act 2013 \(c. 30\)](#), s. 21(3), [Sch. 1 para. 2](#); S.I. 2013/2789, art. 2(a); S.I. 2014/93, art. 3(g)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 3 applied (13.3.2014) by [Marriage \(Same Sex Couples\) Act 2013 \(c. 30\)](#), [ss. 1\(2\)\(a\)](#), 21(3); S.I. 2014/93, art. 3(a)

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