
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2014 No. 3181

**The Marriage of Same Sex Couples (Conversion
of Civil Partnership) Regulations 2014**

PART 2

Conversion in England and Wales

Duty to register marriage resulting from conversion

18.—(1) As soon as practicable after the conversion declaration is signed, the superintendent registrar who has signed the conversion declaration in accordance with regulation 3(1)(b) must register the following details in the conversion register—

- (a) the date and place of registration of the marriage (see paragraph (2));
- (b) the date from which the marriage is to be treated as having subsisted by virtue of section 9(6) of the 2013 Act⁽¹⁾;
- (c) the condition of each of the parties, which is to be registered as ‘civil partner’;
- (d) [^{F1}subject to paragraph (3G),] the following details pertaining to each of the parties—
 - (i) forenames;
 - (ii) surname;
 - [^{F2}(iii) date of birth;
 - (iv) current occupation or, where the party has no current occupation, former occupation (if any);]
 - (v) address; and
 - [^{F3}(vi) subject to paragraphs (3) to (3C), each parent’s—
 - (aa) forenames and surname, and
 - (bb) current occupation or, if the parent has no current occupation or has died, former occupation (if any).]

(2) In paragraph (1)(a), the date and place of registration of the marriage means the date on, and place at which the conversion declaration is signed, whether or not the marriage was registered on that date and at that place.

[^{F4}(3) Paragraph (3A) applies where—

- (a) a party wishes the conversion register to record details about one or more step-parents of that party (“the nominated step-parents”) in addition to or instead of details about any parent of that party (“the relevant parent”), and
- (b) the conditions in paragraphs (3B) and (3C) are satisfied.

(1) 2013 c. 30. Section 9(6) provides that where a civil partnership is converted into a marriage under section 9, the resulting marriage is to be treated as having subsisted since the date the civil partnership was formed.

(3A) The superintendent registrar must—

- (a) register in the conversion register the details provided under paragraph (3B)(a) in respect of each of the nominated step-parents, in accordance with the party's wishes communicated under paragraph (3B)(b),
- (b) enter the word “step-parent” after each step-parent's surname in the conversion register,
- (c) if informed that any of the nominated step-parents has died, enter the word “deceased” after the word “step-parent” entered after the step-parent's surname under sub-paragraph (b), and
- (d) if provided with the former occupation of any of the nominated step-parents and informed that the step-parent has or had retired from that occupation, enter the word “retired” after that occupation.

(3B) The condition in this paragraph is that the superintendent registrar—

- (a) is provided with the following details in respect of each of the nominated step-parents—
 - (i) forenames and surname, and
 - (ii) current occupation or, if the step-parent has no current occupation or has died, former occupation, and
- (b) is informed whether the party wishes those details to be recorded in addition to or instead of the details of the relevant parent.

(3C) The condition in this paragraph is that registering in the conversion register, in accordance with the party's wishes, the details about every step-parent whose details the party wishes the register to record would not result in the details of more than four individuals in total being registered in the conversion register as parents or step-parents of that party.

(3D) Where the superintendent registrar registers details in the conversion register about the parent of a party and is informed that the parent has died, the superintendent registrar must enter the word “deceased” after that parent's name.

(3E) Where the superintendent registrar registers a party's former occupation in the conversion register and is informed that the party has retired from that occupation, the superintendent registrar must enter the word “retired” after that occupation.

(3F) Where the superintendent registrar registers the former occupation of a party's parent in the conversion register and is informed that the parent has or had retired from that occupation, the superintendent registrar must enter the word “retired” after that occupation.

(3G) The superintendent registrar may omit any of the details required by paragraph (1)(d) from the conversion register where the details were not recorded on the conversion declaration and have not subsequently been provided by a party for the purposes of this regulation.]

(4) The parties to the conversion are entitled, once the marriage has been registered, to a certified copy of the entry relating to it in the conversion register on payment, to the superintendent registrar, of [^{F5}the appropriate fee].

(5) A superintendent registrar must not register any marriage resulting from a conversion to which he or she is a party.

[^{F6}(6) In this regulation a “step-parent” of a party means a step-parent of that party who is or has been married to, or the civil partner of, a parent of that party.]

F1 Words in [reg. 18\(1\)\(d\)](#) inserted (4.5.2021) by [The Marriage and Civil Partnership \(Conversion of Civil Partnership and Fees\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/440\)](#), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(a)(i)**

F2 [Reg. 18\(1\)\(d\)\(iii\)\(iv\)](#) substituted (4.5.2021) by [The Marriage and Civil Partnership \(Conversion of Civil Partnership and Fees\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/440\)](#), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(a)(ii)**

- F3** Reg. 18(1)(d)(vi) substituted (4.5.2021) by The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Conversion of Civil Partnership and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/440), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(a)(iii)**
- F4** Reg. 18(3)-(3G) substituted for reg. 18(3) (4.5.2021) by The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Conversion of Civil Partnership and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/440), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(b)**
- F5** Words in reg. 18(4) substituted (5.10.2016) by The Registration of Births, Deaths, Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Fees) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/911), reg. 1, **Sch. 2 para. 3(10)**
- F6** Reg. 18(6) inserted (4.5.2021) by The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Conversion of Civil Partnership and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/440), regs. 1(2), **2(7)(c)**

Commencement Information

- I1** Reg. 18 in force at 10.12.2014, see **reg. 1**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Marriage of Same Sex Couples (Conversion of Civil Partnership) Regulations 2014, Section 18.