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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 404**

**The Sham Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland and Northern Ireland) (Administrative) Regulations 2015**

**PART 4**

Change of address

**Requirement to notify the Secretary of State of a change of address**

**11.**—(1) This regulation applies where a party's usual address changes (“changed address”).

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), the party must give the Secretary of State notice of his or her changed address within four working days beginning with the day on which the change occurs.

(3) Where under paragraph (6) the Secretary of State requires a party to give notice of his or her changed address by telephone or by text message, the party must give the Secretary of State notice of the change within two working days beginning with the day on which the change occurs.

(4) But paragraphs (2) and (3) do not prevent a party giving notice of the change and when it will occur beforehand (and if a party does, paragraphs (2) and (3) do not apply).

(5) Subject to paragraph (6), notice given under this regulation may be—

- (a) given over the telephone to the telephone number,
- (b) sent by text message to the telephone number,
- (c) sent by fax to the fax number,
- (d) sent by email to the email address,
- (e) sent by postal service in which delivery or receipt is recorded to the address,
- (f) sent by ordinary first or second class postal service to the address,
- (g) delivered by hand at the address, or
- (h) sent by courier to the address,

notified to the party in accordance with paragraph (8) (where one is so notified).

(6) But the Secretary of State may require a party to give notice in a particular way mentioned in paragraph (5).

(7) Where—

- (a) both parties to a proposed marriage or civil partnership are required to give notice of a changed address under this regulation, and
- (b) the changed address is (or is to be) the usual address of both parties,

notice under this regulation may be given by one party on behalf of both parties.

(8) A number or address mentioned in paragraph (5) may be notified to a party—

- (a) by the district registrar or (as the case may be) the registrar in the information given to the party in accordance with regulation 20, or

- (b) (subsequently) by the Secretary of State in the section 48 notice given to the party or in any subsequent notification as mentioned in section 50(3)(b) of the 2014 Act.
- (9) In this regulation “working day” has the same meaning as in paragraph (3) of regulation 6 save that as if for “in the part” to the end there were substituted—
  - (a) in the case of a proposed marriage or civil partnership under the law of Scotland, “in Scotland”, and
  - (b) in the case of a proposed marriage or civil partnership under the law of Northern Ireland, “in Northern Ireland”.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Sham Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland and Northern Ireland) (Administrative) Regulations 2015, Section 11.