



# Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2020

2020 No. 1

## *Religious communities*

### **1 Members of religious communities**

- (1) The General Synod may make provision by Canon to enable a bishop to admit into Holy Orders a person who is a member of a religious community.
- (2) After section 2 of the Extra-Parochial Ministry Measure 1967 insert—

#### **“2A Ministry by member of religious community**

- (1) The bishop of a diocese may license a member of a religious community who is in Holy Orders to perform in the diocese the offices and services specified in the licence for the furtherance of the work and mission of that community.
  - (2) A licence under this section may not specify the solemnization of marriage.
  - (3) The performance of offices or services in accordance with a licence under this section does not require the consent, and is not subject to the control, of the Minister of the parish in which they are performed.
  - (4) In this section, “religious community” has the same meaning as in the Canons (see Canon DA 1).”
- (3) In the Church Representation Rules, set out in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969, in rule 46(1) (membership of House of Laity), in paragraph (c), omit “having their mother house”.
  - (4) In rule 84 of those Rules (interpretation: minor definitions), in paragraph (1), at the appropriate place insert—

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““religious community” means a religious community which comes within the meaning given in the Canons (see Canon DA 1) and is designated by the House of Bishops for the purposes of these Rules;”.

(5) In section 38 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 (the list of places of worship), in subsection (4), at the appropriate place insert—

““religious community” has the same meaning as in the Canons (see Canon DA 1).”.

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**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 1(1)-(3) in force at 1.9.2020 by S.I. 2020/835, **art. 2**  
**I2** S. 1(4)(5) in force at 14.7.2021 by S.I. 2021/545, **art. 2**

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