



Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984

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Matrimonial Causes (Property and Maintenance) Act 1958 (c. 35)

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Maintenance Orders Act 1958 (c. 39)

- 4
5 In section 4 of that Act, after subsection (6A) there...

Succession (Scotland) Act 1964 (c. 41)

- 6 In section 33(2) of the Succession (Scotland) Act 1964, at...

Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1966 (c. 19)

- 7 In section 8(1)(c) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland)...

Administration of Justice Act 1970 (c. 31)

- 8 In Schedule 8 to the Administration of Justice Act 1970...

Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 (c. 18)

- 9 Minor and Consequential Amendments

Matrimonial Causes Act 1973 (c. 18)

- 10 In section 1(4) of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973 for...
11 In section 24A of that Act there shall be added...
12 In section 27 of that Act— (a) in subsection (3A)...
13 In section 35 of that Act— (a) in subsection (2)...
14 Minor and Consequential Amendments
15 In section 47(2) of that Act after paragraph (d) there...
16 Minor and Consequential Amendments

Domicile and Matrimonial Proceedings Act 1973 (c. 45)

- 17 In section 5(1) of the Domicile and Matrimonial Proceedings Act...
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Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Act 1978 (c. 22)

- 21 In section 1 of the Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts...
22 In section 7(5) of that Act, for the words "subsection...
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24 In section 19 of that Act, after subsection (3), there...
25 In section 20(8) of that Act, after the word "respondent"...
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27 In Schedule 1 to that Act— (a) in paragraph 2,...

Land Registration (Scotland) Act 1979 (c. 33)

- 28 In section 12(3)(b) of the Land Registration (Scotland) Act 1979...

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County Courts Act 1984 (c. 28)

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- 30 In section 41 of that Act there shall be added...
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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 1 repealed (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(3\)Sch. 10](#)
- s. 15 words omitted by [S.I. 2019/519 Sch. para. 13\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(2) substituted (17.12.2020) by S.I. 2020/1574, regs. 1, 5(3)(e)(i))
- s. 15(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(2)(a) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1338 reg. 3\(3\)\(e\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 15(1A) omitted by [S.I. 2019/519 Sch. para. 13\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(2) substituted (17.12.2020) by S.I. 2020/1574, regs. 1, 5(3)(e)(i))
- s. 15(1A) words substituted by S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(2)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1338 reg. 3\(3\)\(e\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
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- s. 17(1) amended (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(1\)Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 32\(2\)](#)
- s. 21(a) replaced (by s.21(a)(aa)) (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(1\)Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 32\(3\)](#)
- s. 21(f) repealed in part (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(3\)Sch. 10](#)
- s. 22 substituted (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(1\)Sch. 8 Pt. 3 para. 52](#)
- s. 0027 (defn. of "secured periodical payments order") repealed (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(3\)Sch. 10](#)
- s. 27 (defn. of "property adjustment order") substituted (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(1\)Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 32\(4\)](#)
- s. 28(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/519 Sch. para. 13\(4\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(2) substituted (17.12.2020) by S.I. 2020/1574, regs. 1, 5(3)(e)(ii))
- s. 28(1) words substituted by S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(4)(a) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1338 reg. 3\(3\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
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- s. 31R(5) words substituted by [2022 c. 32 Sch. 11 para. 8](#)
- s. 32 (defn. of "matrimonial cause") substituted (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(1\)Sch. 8 Pt. 1 para. 32\(5\)](#)
- s. 3839 power to excluded (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 57\(7\)](#)
- s. 40(2)(a) word repealed by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 3 para. 44Sch. 5](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 3 para. 44 repealed (6.4.2011) without ever having been brought into force by 2003 c. 39 Sch. 10; S.I. 2010/2921, art. 3)
- s. 40(2)(a) words inserted by [2002 c. 38 Sch. 3 para. 44](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 3 para. 44 repealed (6.4.2011) without ever having been brought into force by 2003 c. 39 Sch. 10; S.I. 2010/2921, art. 3)
- Sch. 1 para. 10 repealed (prosp.) by [1996 c. 27 s. 66\(3\)Sch. 10](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:
Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 28(1A) words substituted by S.I. 2019/519, Sch. para. 13(4)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/1338 reg. 3\(3\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The affecting statutory instrument has no legal effect. It was made under a procedure which meant that it ceased to have effect 28 days after signing unless it was debated and approved in Parliament within that time. It was not debated and approved within 28 days, so it has expired with no effect.)
- s. 40(4A) inserted by [2010 c. 26 Sch. 3 para. 9](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). Sch. 3 Pt. 2 repealed (4.9.2013) without ever being in force by 2013 c. 22, s. 17(4) ; S.I. 2013/2200 art. 2(a))